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MRS. JOHN A. REED

Born Lena Bates in Texas 1863. Married John A. Reed in Fayetteville 1883. Three children: Clifton, John Alvis, and Bates. She died in Fayetteville 1950. The photo was taken in Washington D.C. in 1882.

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Some Mitchell and Rutherford Letters

by Marian Carter Ledgerwood

A few months ago, a correspondent in California went through an old trunk, which was stored behind some other things in the barn. In this trunk were quite a few old family letters, dating back as far as 1859, some written from Cane Hill, Ark. There was so much of interest, historically and genealogically, that this correspondent gave me permission to edit them for publication. Now I wonder -- how many old trunks in attics or barns contain old letters which might hold the very information some us are seeking so desperately!

Having known nothing of the Mitchell family of Cane Hill, I found it interesting to piece together bits of information from these letters, census, Goodspeed's "History of Northwest Arkansas", as well as back numbers of FLASHBACK -- and emerge with a fairly complete picture of the family. Later, a perusal of the book, "The Mitchell Family", by Homer Rawlins Mitchell, Grace E. Mitchell, and Mrs. Lura Emery (1952) yielded further information on this family.

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James Mitchell (b.ca. 1793, Ky.) married Mary A. Webber (b.ca. 1806, Ga.) ca. 1825 in Lincoln Co., Tenn. They moved to Cane Hill, Ark. in 1830. They became the parents of six sons and three daughters. James Mitchell died 13 Aug. 1860; his wife died in 1882. Their children included:

1. George Mitchell (b. ca. 1826, Tenn.; d. ca. 1859, Texas), Married Sarah Cox in Washington Co., Ark. 6 July 1848.
2. Nancy Mitchell (b. 23 June 1828, Tenn.; was living 1908) married in Cane Hill 22 Nov. 1866, as his second wife, William Pierson Crawford. They had two children: William Alfred Crawford and Mary Lou Crawford.
3. James Mitchell (b. 8 May 1833; d. June 1902) married Elizabeth (Lizzie) Latta in Washington Co., Ark. 31 Jan. 1860. He became a school teacher at age 16; was deputy surveyor 1855-1859; elected to legislature 1860; became a Captain in the Confederate Army; was professor in Cane Hill College 1866-1874 and then was professor at Arkansas University 1874-1876. He was editor-in-chief of the Arkansas Democrat at Little Rock after 1876, and in 1893 was appointed postmaster at Little Rock by President Cleveland. He had 8 children.
4. William Mitchell (b. 10 May 1834, Cane Hill; d. 20 Dec. 1914, Texas) married in Washington Co., Ark. 1 Dec. 1858, Josephine Lewis. He served in the Confederate Army in Co.B, Brooks Regt. He was county surveyor in 1889. He had 7 children, all born in Washington Co., Ark.

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5. Margaret Jane Mitchell (b. 25 May 1835 or 1836; d. 1912) married in Washington Co., Ark. John Tipton Rutherford, of California. They had 8 children, all born in California.
6. Alfred Mitchell (b. 18 Jan. 1838; d. 10 April 1894) married 26 Feb. 1872 Mrs. Amelia (Summers) Russell of New Madrid, Mo. He taught school in Ark., Mo., Tenn. and N.Car. He had three children.
7. Roderick Mitchell (b. Ca. 1840; d. 6 Dec. 1862) In Battle of Prairie Grove).
8. Mary Mitchell, (b.ca. 1846; was living in 1908)did not marry. Lived at Westville, Indian Territory.
9. John Campbell Mitchell (b. 28 July 1849; was living in 1908) married Sept. 1882 in Fayetteville to Mary A. West. He was a professor in Cane Hill College. He had 5 children.

In 1830, several members of the Rutherford family moved to Washington Co., Ark. from Greene Co., Tenn. One of these was Robert R. Rutherford (b.ca. 1798, Tenn.) with his wife Ann Tipton Rutherford. About 1830, this family crossed the Plains with horse teams and located at Sacramento, Calif. Two years later, the two older sons and a daughter returned to Arkansas. One of these sons, William B. Rutherford (b.1824) Tenn.) married Nancy M. Ferguson on 29 Sept. 1853, and remained in Fayetteville. The sister, Ruth Rutherford (b. 1828, Tenn.) married J.P.Stevenson on 18 March 1852 in Washington Co., Ark., and they moved back to California. The other son, John Tipton Rutherford (b. 10 Oct. 1831, Ark.) married Margaret Jane Mitchell on 28 April 1859, and they moved to California, where they raised their family.

The first letter was written by Nancy Mitchell, sister of Jane, just five months after Jane's marriage. She refers to her brothers Alfred, James, and William (who had married Josephine Lewis on 1 Dec. 1858). She also refers to the younger children, Mary(then about 13 years old) and John (then age 10).

Cane Hill
Sept. 25, 1859

My dear sister,

.....There has been a good many changes since you left. Cyrus Buchanan died last Saturday night with the fever. He was in his right mind to the last and talked about his future prospects for happiness. This morning Johnny Banks died. I have not heard the particulars of his death. Lizzie Trout has been very sick, is some better now. Will Sawyers has been trying to court the widow Shannon's daughter. Major Billingsly forbid it and they quarreled. Will threatened the Major's life and Billingsly shot him. It is thought by some he will not live.

.....I will try to write something pleasant, about camp meeting. We had the best preaching I have ever heard. Not one poor sermon. All good and very good. There was some new preachers froma distance. There was many mourners but not very many conversions. Miss Hamlen, Mary McColock, Bud Buchanan professed.They are all that you know. There was some others. Oh, yes. Bud Webber he shouted just as good as any one and looked just as happy. I believe he is truly converted. I never saw a happier looking person in all my life.....I suppose you have heard of Ben Witherspoon's death.....Every person inquired about you at Camp meeting. (Partly torn)....very near taking a "Caneption fit" about you. They say you promised to write to them. Mary Davis said you must write to her. She has a fine boy. I enjoyed camp meeting. Every person was so kind.

Oct. 6th. Today we received two letters from you. One to me and Al. Al has gone to the Choctaw Agency to teach. He gets four hundred and fifty dollars for teaching eight months. We miss him very much. We will send him your letter. Jim is teaching in Vineyard and he has a very large school. He gets $75 a month. He was up last week and looks very well. 'Speck he will marry this winter. We are paying particular to his poor little turkey hen which has turned out to be a fine large gobbler.

Celina Parks and Bob have gone to Texas after Ann. He sends her love to you. Will and Jo have gone to Kansas, only to stay a short time to secure some of Will's land. Jim B. and Mag have moved there. They have been gone sometime. Mary and John are going to school to Miss A.Blakemore at Valley. She has 21 scholars.

The Burg has improved since you left. Mr. Wright and McClure each have large brick houses done, and the new Methodist Church house is finished. Uncle George's folks are all well. Cousin Jane G. was here the other week. I was at Will's the day she came. We have quilted a quilt and spun, sewed, wove, cooked, and done many things lately. I asked John what I should tell you for him. He said to tell you he had a stiff shirt, a pleated bosom shirt. He wanted to wear his linen coat to school the other day. He said some of the scholars didn't know he had a linen coat.

Oct. 9th. Since I commenced this letter, Lizzie Trout has died. She died yesterday. I set up with her the night before and was there when she died. She professed religion three days before she died. Mother and me went to her funeral today. Uncle John preached very good sermon from the text Lizzie selected herself. Will and Jo have got home from Kansas. They were only gone two weeks. They found Jim Bales sick and Marg with the blues (partly torn -- some mention of Mr. Trout and Clem Holland).

Ever yours,
Nancy Mitchell

The minister referred to above was undoubtedly "Uncle" John Buchanan. The Mitchells were members of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at Cane Hill, where he ministered.

True to Nancy's prediction, brother James Mitchell did marry the following winter. He married Lizzie T. Latta 31 Jan. 1860.

The next four letters give us a view of life during the Civil War. Jane's brother, Alfred Mitchell, was held at Johnson's Island at Sandusky, Ohio. The first two letters of this group are from Alfred to his sister Jane in California. The next letter is to Jane from her sister in Cane Hill. It was signed "Annie White" -- apparently though, it is the same sister who signs other letters as Nancy. I have not identified B.D.Moody who wrote the fourth letter, from Johnson's Island to Jane Mitchell Rutherford.

Johnson's Island,
Sandusky, Ohio
Sept. 7th, 1863

Dear Sister:

I wrote you on the receipt of your letter of the 14th of July. Weeks and months come and go,but exchange comes not, nor do we go to "Dixie". It is now very uncertain whether we remain here much longer. The Commissioners of Exchanges have met and may agree upon some means of releasing us soon. I have no news of importance. I wrote to Mrs. Laura Baxley (?) last month to see if I couldn't get some word from home. The Federals had again reoccupied Fayetteville and she knew nothing from Washington County. She was well. Mr. Baxley went to Texas in Feb. '62. I suppose with his negroes.

I employ my time here in studying the French language. I have a splendid teacher and make some progress. If our cause fail it may be useful to me. I should like very much to get another letter from you before I am exchanged. I shall probably write again before leaving. Give my love to Mr. Rutherford and the children.

Affectionately yours,
Alfred Mitchell

Johnson's Island,
July 17, 1864

Dear Sister Jane,

A week ago I received your kind letter of the 13th June. You and Nan and the girls of Cane Hill have almost overwhelmed me with letters. That Greenback you sent came all right and I have again to thank you. But the last two papers you sent failed to reach me. The kindness of that "such a pretty girl" is certainly appreciated highly. (Indecipherable) - I better send her a pretty ring or something of prison-make. Since you weigh 150, I am afraid you can't wear that ring I sent you. You keep talking about your "little" ring. If it is too small let me know. Johnson's Island changeth not except that a few recruits occasionally come in from the West or from Joe Johnson. You ask after Mr. Crawford's folks. Newt is a Lieut. in the company I belong to. He is with Gen'l DockerY's cavalry. Will belongs to Price's army and to Capt. (Cash's) Company. By the way I hear that Earle is major of the Regiment now and that Brother Jim is Capt. of the Company instead of being A.T.M. Can't learn how it is exactly. Isaac Buchanan is dead. Will and Jim B. belong to Earle's Co. Pleas was in another company in Wash. County. John Davis, Mary Boatwright's husband is dead. All hopes of exchange has "played". My love to Mr.R. and all friends.

Your brother,
Alfred Mitchell

Cane Hill Aug. 15, 1864

My dear Sister -

We have never received but (one) letter from you directed to us. Al sent us one that you had written to him -- dated in May and we have also heard several times through John Caldwell's letters -- he sends them to mother. It is a great satisfaction to hear from you anyway -- but we had so much rather have letters that are directed to us. I know that you have written to us. Hattie Fergerson saw a letter in the office that she knew was from you. The postmark was Wyandotte.But when we sent there was no letters for us.

Dear Jane, so many things happen and things have changed so during this cruel war that I hardly know how to begin or close a letter to one that I would like to write so much. I wrote you a long long letter in May - and told you all the sad particulars of our dear lost brother. I wrote you everything but I fear you never received it. We are all well and getting on remarkable well considering these dreadful times. We have plenty to eat and wear and have had ever since this cruel war began. We have never been robbed like some. Our acquaintance in the Federal army have treated us kindly - and we them in the same way. Two years ago they come here and killed a fine horse of mine, the one bro. Geo. left me. They cut up considerably. That same time they took five large wagon loads of corn from us and a good many other things. Last winter me and John hauled our corn that we had to spare toFayetteville and sold it to them. I bought a good many things that we needed - besides we made enough to send our dear brother that is in prison some money. We sent him $12, he only got seven. We sent a few dollars at a time. We were very sorry to hear that he didn't get that you sent him. I am afraid that he will be confined there for a long time yet. We can hear nothing of a general exchange. The two governments can't agree on that point. The Federals wants the Confeds. to exchange negroes for white men. The south won't do that, too humiliating. The last letter we had from Al was the 10th of July. Him and Will were in excellent health. Jim is Quartermaster in Col. Crawford's regt. Col.C. is from the southern part of the state. Will is Ordnancemaster. They were below Little Rock. They expected to move north in a short time and we have heard that Price was near the Rock and that they were skirmishing daily - and a general engagement was expected. I expect the report is true. I dread the result, even if Price should be victorious. They are strongly fortified and their gunboats are to be dreaded. But the Confeds have made way with a good many of them. They have been fighting at Ft.Smith. Gen.M.Cooper (and?) Stand Watie forces are at Scullyville 15 miles from Ft.Smith. They have killed and captured the 6th and 14th ----- regiments and captured a great many horses and wagons. I can't tell how these things will terminate.

Our country up here is full of gurillars and what the Federals call Bushwhackers. We don't call them that for it is very seldom that they shoot from the bushes - they come out and fight them openly. Our good old Quiet Cane Hill has got a dreadful name among the Feds, because they say we harbor so many Rebels - but Rebs are like Feds - they go where they please. But the times are in a dreadful state. Today was a week ago Jim Shannon was Hauled by here a corpse - he was a Rebel and was killed in Mountain Township by the Feds. Today Jeff Sawyer was hauled by here. He was killed by the Rebels- he was a Federal soldier. Such are the solemn scenes that occur frequently. Last week the southern men attacked a train going from Fayetteville to Fort Smith - with the mail and three wagons loaded with goods - they killed 30 of them, captured their wagons and teams - and divided their captured property among themselves and their families. We don't accept any captured goods - we can make out without them. They got calico domestic, shoes, coffee, tobacco, raisins, candy, oysters, sardines and many other things that they needed.

I have not told you half that I wish to. Be careful what you write. Mary sends her love to the little one.John sends his love to all of you. Give my love to every person in Cal. that I ever saw.

Annie White

Johnson's Island, O.
Sept. 15, 1864

Dear Jane -

I have not heard a word from you since your letter of the 18th July which reached me three weeks ago. As I have just heard from Home and the boys I write to you anyway. Nan's letter was of the 24th August and she had a letter from Jim of the 26th July. All were well. Jim was Quartermaster (my old position) of Col. Crawford's Regt. Will belongs still to Col. F.R. Earle's Regt. No other news. We are all pretty well here. The living however is harder, rations are smaller than at any time previous to this. Our prospects too for exchange are still more gloomy than ever, and to the war I can now see no end. I however live in hopes of some lucky turn in the fortunes of war. There is transpiring around this monotonous place but few things of interest. Today about one hundred Confederate privates from Camp Chase came in. Poor brave fellows. I felt like embracing every one of them, so much did they remind me of Dixie and Dixie's Army. This reinforcements swells our numbers here to about 2500. Of these about 2300 are Confederate officers, about 70 or 80 citizens and the rest enlisted men. There are also two negroes here who have followed their masters through all the "ups and downs" of the war. I am sorry to tell you that many of our privileges have been cut off. Our (undecipherable) is not allowed now to sell provisions except upon Surgeon's Certificate, and our friends are prohibited from sending us clothing and provisions, except it be our near relations. We can but write but two letters per week. Nan has received but one letter from you. Your brother will write when he receives a letter from you.

Yours truly,
B. D. Moody

The next letter was written by James Mitchell. He mentions a letter from Eddie, son of John and Jane (Mitchell) Rutherfford of California, to Mamie (presumably his daughter). James was teaching in the Cane Hill College.

Cane Hill,
April 24, 1871

Dear Bro and Sister:

We have just had a letter from Eddie to Mamie, and as she is not yet writing well enough to reply, and as you seem to think that you wrote last, I shall reply.....By the way you do not know how near I came to seeing you. I was actually in five days of you when at Leavenworth City and still a little nearer at St.Joseph. I went up to Kans. to see about a little land I have there and traveled all over the state and a part of Missouri in two days and nights. I think if I had had only $100 more money, I should have gone to see you. Perhaps I will do better next time and actually go to see you. But not this summer as money is alarmingly scarce here, and I am building a house on my new place. We will have a real nice house when finished as I hope it will be by fall.

I should like to go to California very much if I thought I could make it to my interest; and I doubt not that I could, in point of health at least; but as to money, I doubt it. I am making fully as much here as I could there, and have the advantage of teaching only those branches with which I am most familiar. In addition to this, the government of the institution does not fall on me alone. This is a

great advantage. I do not think I shall ever teach another common or public school. If I were only in Cal. with what I have here, little as it is, and could get John to use my money in stock (for I should know nothing about it) it would I think be much better for me.

April 30, 1871. A week ago I was writing you and broke off suddenly as is often the case with me. Shall try to finish now. Thank you a thousand times for the pictures. The large one is without doubt as fine a picture as I have ever seen. I showed it to several of your acquaintances at the Burg - to White McClellan, Mr. Yates, Pres. Carnahan, Dr. Welch and others - they all recognized it at once. We have no good artist here. This is the reason why we do not send our pictures.

When in Kansas last fall, I was at Aunt Nancy Webbers. They live near Burlington and are doing well. Edward has a farm and Aunt lives with him. Billy lives in the town and has a shoe and boot shop. Works two or three hands and is doing well. He is married to a nice little lady - they have one girl about a year old.

Since I commenced my letter we have had a biting frost. All the fruit in the valleys and low country killed. Ours is uninjured yet. It is a heavy blow to the country as it was all killed last year. Wheat in some parts is much damaged. We have not heard from Al in some time. I am expecting a letter from him as I wrote him more than a month ago. Mother is in pretty good health. Will's and Nan's people are well. Your brother Will's (Rutherford) folks, too, John, at Hog Eye. He is running a big store there now and doing a good business. Tell Eddie to write again that it makes Uncle Jim feel very proud to receive such letters. So well composed with so few mistakes. Write to us often and come if possible. Lizzie and the little ones join me in love.

Yours truly,
Jas. Mitchell

Apparently there was some traveling back and forth, between Arkansas and California. In this next letter, we see that William B. Rutherford has just returned from a visit with his family in California; and just a few months later, we see that Jane Mitchell Rutherford visits her family in Arkansas.

Billingsley, Ark., Dec. 24, 1874

Dear Friends,

I take this opportunity of writing you a few lines informing you that I am at home safe and well except cold. I took a cold on the Cars the night we left Omaha. Arrived home last night. Found Nany and the children all gone to a Slight of Hand Show. All well. We left Sacramento on Monday the 14th of Dec. at 1 P.M., arrived in Omaha Friday at 4 P.M. Got to Pierce City Sunday at 5 P.M. Got to Fayetteville on the night of the 22, found all well. Was not troubled with snow on the way.

I met William Mitchell and family at Fayetteville. All well. They had been up on a visit. Sent by them those presents to Mary and Mother. Also met Lewis Ross in Fayetteville. Also sent by him those presents to Miss Ross. They are all well pleased with those Christmas presents. Baby is well pleased with his boat that mother sent. The children are all well. I have not time now to write but a few lines as this stage is here and I must close. I will write soon.

W. B. Rutherford

Jane's borher, James, writes to his brother-in-law, John T. Rutherford, to inform him of Jane's safe arrival. At this time,he was on the staff of the Arkansas Industrial University at Fayetteville, where he taught from 1874 to 1876. He mentions John (Ferguson) Rutherford, son of William B. Rutherford, as being a student in the University. This John F. Rutherford was later in the lumber business at PineBluff, Ark.

Fayetteville, Ark.
Saturday April 24, 1875

Dear Brother,

Jane and the children arrived safely on Thursday evening and left bright and early next morning (yesterday) for Cane Hill. I was never so much surprised as I was last Saturday when I received Jane's dispatch from New Madrid, and you can have no idea how much pleasure it has given me, nor how great our obligations to you for consenting to her visit.

You have little idea how much she is enjoying the visit. She is near crazy with excitement and talks incessantly. Poor child. I fear she will have a relapse after while and get homesick. I did not know how badly I wanted to see you and the other children till I saw Jane and the three. Minnie is just the image of sister Mary fifteen years ago. Your baby resembles you very much, but Willie although a fine looking fellow does not look like either side to me.

Will Mitchell sent for Jane to Pierce City, our nearest point on the R.R. Took a good hack and they came down without much fatigue.

Your brother Will was with us on Thursday night as he was in town on the grand jury. His son who resembles you very much is a student (John) of the University and one of our best boys. Write to me. Don't get uneasy about Jane. We will take the best care of her.

Your brother,
Jas. Mitchell

P.S. Jane directed me to enclose some corn curers which I am trying. If they succeed in curing corns the man who invented them will hold a higher place in my affections than George Washington or Columbus or even Jeff Davis.

John T. Rutherford, himself, apparently visited Arkansas in April of 1876, for there was a letter from his daughter, Min, written to him from Wyandotte, Cal. Then, in May of 1884, Edward, oldest son of John T. and Jane (Mitchell) Rutherford, visited in Arkansas, and wrote his impressions of Little Rock back to a brother in California. James Mitchell, who had been on the staff of the University in Fayetteville until 1876, was living in Little Rock, where he became editor of the Arkansas Democrat.

Little Rock
May 6, 1884

Dear Brother,

I have been in <u>old Arkansas</u> 4 days now, and I guess it is about time I was telling you what I think of it. It is a much prettier country than I expected to find, especially our here where Uncle Jim lives, about a mile from the business part of the city. I think Little Rock

is about the size of Sacramento, as near as I can tell. I can't see much difference between this and a California town except in two things and those are the muddy rough streets and the number of negroes. Sunday, Will Mitchell (Uncle Jim's boy)and I went down to the Arkansas River and crossed it on the bridge. It is a huge river and very high at present. It appears to be twice the size of the Sacramento. It was real hot here yesterday until about 3 o'clock. It suddenly clouded up, began to thunder and lightning and rained the hardest I ever saw for about an hour, and hail fell that was over an inch in diameter. Broke the skylights in Uncle Jim's office.

We were eight days and nights on the road. I didn't know there was so much poor country in the U.S. before. From LosAngeles to the Colorado River in Texas there was not a tree to be seen except little willow trees once in a while. It is what might be called a desert all the way. Saw prairie dogs in Texas by the thousands. Saw some antelopes, too. And thousands of cattle in Eastern Texas, and some of the prettiest country in the world. We came from Texas to Little Rock in the night. Got here about 5 in the morning. All in bed except Aunt Lizzie. Uncle Jim has a beautiful place here.

I think I will stay here about 10 days longer. I think some of Uncle Jim's folks will go up to Fayetteville with us. I think Fannie and Alice are real pretty girls, 16 and 14. They are all very nice children. Will works in a printing office in town. I have written about all I can on this, so I shall close.

Your brother, Ed

A few excerpts from two final letters, written by Nan to her sister, Jane, rather "sum up" the families, as well as give some news of friends and neighbors.

Fayetteville, A rk.
March 7, 1900

My dear sister,

.....Had a letter from Sister Mary last week. She expected to start to Kansas City Monday for a new supply of goods. Said she would have to go by herself,and she dreaded the trip alone. I hope you will write to Mary often. You know she gave up all the pleasures of her young life to take care of Mother in her declining years. I think she even refused offers of marriage to be so that she could devote her whole time with Mother. Now she has neither husband or children to look to. ....John's family are all in good health. John is a great big fleshy fine looking man. He now owns a fine book store and is county treasurer. Has a very pretty house, four real nice children. When we heard from bro. Will's they were all well. The two oldest girls were teaching. Maurice is married and lives near Pryor Creek. Jim gets a good practice.

Newty (?) Ellis and family are well. Mr.Rutherford and Mamie are in Pine Bluff, and Newty's oldest daughter is there teaching. Mr.Rutherford still talks of going to Cal. and take Mamie with him.

What do you know of Johnnie Webber? I would like so much to see him. The University is in a very prosperous condition, more students than has ever been enrolled before. There is a railroad being built between here and Boonsboro which will help that part of the country so much.

Fannie Mitchell is here. She expects to stay here a month, and then go to St.Louis to see Jim. Mary Lou is teaching. I believe she is considered a very good teacher. At least all that send to her are well pleased. I don't see how I can give her up, but I am afraid I will have to before a great while. Girls will marry, or most of them will.

What has become of Sarah Inks (West)? Her sister here, Mrs. Liza Pyeatt, has the best family of boys and girls that I have ever known. Two of her boys are here in the University.

I wish you could know Alfred's wife. She is a very smart, nice little woman. And my grandchild, we think she is the smartest, sweetest child that ever was. Alfred and Mary L. have some late pictures that they spoke of sending to you.

Mrs. Jim Ferguson has been to see me. I told her that I was writing to you, and you knew Mr. Ferguson well. She said tell you he has grown to be a great big fleshy man. They live right by bro. John. Their daughter is in Cal. now. At Will Furgerson's. Been in Europe three years, taking music lessons.

I have just heard of Mr. Jessie Blakemore's death. You used to know him. Well, Mrs. Wheeler's son-in-law. He had pneumonia. Only lived three days. Mrs. Blakemore died about two years ago. All of their children are married.

Hope to get a letter from you soon. Give my best regards and wishes to Mr.Rutherford.

I still remain
Your loving Sister Nan

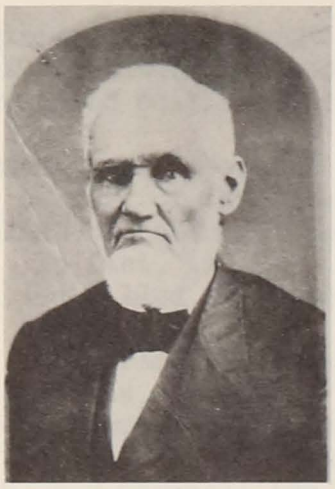
Fayetteville, Ark.
Sept. 12 (1908?)

My dear Sister:

.....We have gone through a great sorrow since I last wrote you.Mary Lou's baby boy died in the summer. He was so dear and sweet to us,just beginning to talk, he was 19 months old....About three weeks ago, all of our family that is living took dinner with us, except you. Brother Will, John, Sister Mary and myself. Mrs. Will his youngest daughter Lizzie and her husband were here a few days. Lizzie married a very nice man. They live at Altus, Okla. Sister Mary stayed two weeks with us. She has just come back from St.Louis. She still lives at Westville. Bro.John's wife and two girls have just returned from ElDorado Springs, Mo., where they spent the summer for Mary's health. Mr.Jim Chandler is very sick, expected to die any moment. Has he rt disease. His children are all here. Mrs. Pitman died in June.

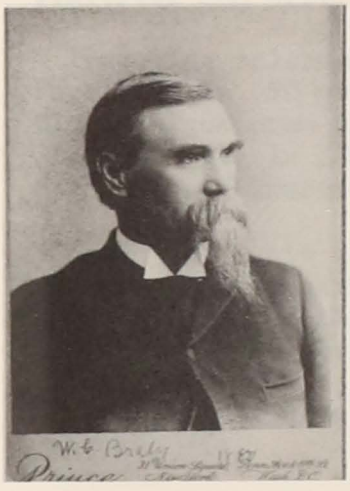
Do you know Jane that I am 79 years old? I feel that God has been good to me. I have been blessed with good relatives and friends all my life. I have much to be thankful for....Wish you could come to see me. Be sure to write.

Lovingly,
Sister Nan



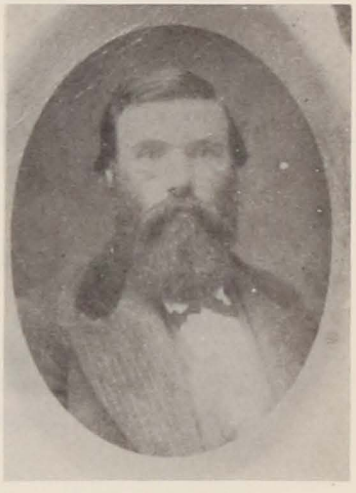
JAMES BRALY
Father of W. C. Braly and
brother of Frank Braly

FINIS BRALY
Brother of Rank Braly



W. C. BRALY
Washington 1887

THOMAS BRALY
son of Frank Braly



WM. CARRICK BRALY
1841 - 1920

A FAYETTEVILLE HOTEL OF 70 YEARS AGO

by W. J. Lemke

The register of the Tremont House for 1894-95 has been placed in the keeping of our historical society by Mrs. Henry Shreve. The notes that follow are based on the old registration book.

The Tremont was operated by H. L. Glass. The hotel stood on the southwest corner of the Square, where the Woolworth Store is now (1964). Glass had been in the hotel business on that corner many years earlier. In fact, the tornado of 1881 had blown off the top floor of the hotel and killed Mrs. Glass.

Most of the Tremont's guests in 1894 were store-keepers from the surrounding towns, probably in Fayetteville to buy merchandise from the wholesale houses. Regular visitors were George Carter of Carter's Store on Middle Fork, A.B.Hale of Baldwin, J.F.Summers and J.R.Summers of Summers, E.D.Campbell and George Yates of Dutch Mills, D. M. Barron and W. M. Hutchens of Brentwood, O.L. Devin of Delany, J.H.Mayfield of Goshen, D.N. and W.T.McCormick of Prairie Grove, Jno. and E.T.Carnahan of Bentonville, L.D.Woody of Rhea's mill, Luke Arnett of Sulphur City, D. Boyd of Spring Valley, H. A. Sawyers of Strickler, A. K. Sawyers of Hogeye, Ben F. Greer of Evansville, M. Cravens of Rogers, J.J. Baggett of Prairie Grove, Geo. W. Tweedy of St.Paul, C.T. Meadows of Mountainburg, W.D.Rogers and J.E.Rogers of Prairie Grove, John and W.H.Rollins of Wheeler, and several merchants from the Indian Territory.

Vanished towns are well represented in the old register. For example, Tolu in the southwestern part of the county, supplied such guests as J.S.McClatchy who came to Fayetteville every other week and was often accompanied by his wife and daughter. Also registered from Tolu were T.B.Greer and wife and daughter.

Traveling salesmen from the big cities were not too plentiful in Fayetteville 70 years ago. They can usually be recognized by their florid signatures in the hotel register. Among those registered at Mr. Glass's hotel in 1894 were drummers from New York City, St. Louis, Chicago and and Kansas City.

There are quite a few signatures inthe old Hotel register of persons who came from a distance. Among these are: Billy Foley, Spokane, Wash.; Hugh Scott of Whittier, Calif.; L.W. Houghton, Downey, Calif.; Newton Blagg, Spokane, Wash.; S. V. Applegate, Tacoma, Wash; Henry Brooks, Highfield, Montana; Jacob Cook and family, Gothenburg, Nebraska; A. P. Monroe, Los Angeles, Calif.; J. M. Yoes, Denver, Colo; Rev. Sam Jones, Oshkosh, Wis.

Among the most regular customers of the Tremont were L.D.Woody of Rhea's Mill, who was registered every other week, and R.S. Mitchell of St. Louis, who spent many week-ends in Fayetteville in 1894 and 1895. Other pioneer names that appear on the Tremont register include these:

Emma Carmahan, Pea Ridge
Albert Wilson, Prairie Grove
WM. H. Mayes, Johnson
W. H. Searcy, Springdale
P. H. Drake, Summers
A. M. Yell, Robinson
E. N. Alberty, Cincinnati
J. H. Oldham, West Fork

Richard Collier, Cummers
Miss Alice Combs, Crosses
Amy Cate, Staunton
J. F. Carnahan, Boonsboro
Dr. A. E. Hardin, Fort Smith
J.W.Stevenson, Southwest City
D. M. Marrs, Vinita, I.T.
W. D. Dickson, Bentonville
Jos. VanHoose, Drummond City
J.S.P.Johnson, Drake's Creek
C. H. Hewitt, Johnson
Miss Annie Crawford, Boonsboro
E. E. Wilson, Wedington
J. R. Stockburger, Winslow
J. C. Peel, Bentonville
G. T. Hanks, Johnson
James P. Neal, Pawnee, I.T.
A. T. Burram, Brightwater
W. J. Sanders, Huntsville
F. R. Earle, Boonsboro
E. D. Campbell, Harris
Nannie Guinn, Hazel Valley
J. H. Cato, Farmington
Brad Barnar, Drake Town
A. H. Peel, Avoca
C. G. Marrs, Prairie Grove
W. H. Mock, Prairie Grove
Larkin Woody, Locust Grove, I.T.

On a number of occasions, there were parties from out of town registered at Mr.Glass's hotel. Some of these were social groups who came to Fayetteville to attend a theatrical performance or concert at Woods Opera House, or possibly to attend a Masonic Lodge meeting. Thus, on April 9, 1895, six persons were registered in the same handwriting. One was George VanHoose. The others were either Marrs or Morrow, all registered by their first names: Sam, Clabourne, Allerson, John. And a sixth, John Wolff.

In August 1894, This quarter registered from Evansville: Tom Shannon, J. A. Ferguson, F.M.Goodrich, Walter Waters. In September, O.S.Ragland, and Miss Belle Ragland of Greenfield, Mo. and Miss Annie Doak of Huntsville were registered in the same handwriting. On Oct.29, 1894, a delegation of eight men from Harris were guests at the Tremont: W.M.Eads, P.H.King, W.P.Masters, H.A Fincher, G.P.Fincher, O.A.Brown, W.B. King, J.H.Strom. Four citizens of Prairie Grove registered as a party: J. C. Bain, W. N. Butler, J. B. Campbell, W. D. Rogers.

The old register shows that 12 theatrical and concert companies were guests of H.L.Glass's hotel during 1894. Their choice of the Tremont over Fayetteville's better-known hotels, the VanWinkle and the Oriental, both on E. Center street, was probably due to the fact that the stage plays were performed in Woods Opera House, directly across the street from the Glass hotel. Woods Opera House was upstairs over what is now (1964) Penney's store. Other traveling theatrical troupes that performed at the Ozark theater, probably stayed at the VanWinkle Hotel which stood where the Linkway store is now located (1964). Manager of the VanWinkle was Dick Miller, father of the late Dr.Otey Miller.

Among the traveling dramatic and concert companies that played Fayetteville 70 years ago and were registered at H.L.Glass's hotel were the following:

On New Year's Eve, Dec. 31, 1894, The Beasey Children Concert Co. of San Francisco, Calif., were here. The company consisted of Mrs. W. H. Beasey, Jennie, Butterfly, Mayflower and Violetta.

On Sunday, Oct. 21, 1894 the Hardy Malcom Co. of Ten members checked into the hotel. All occupied single rooms except Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hardy who had Room 32. This, incidentally, was the highest room number in the hotel.

On Dec. 3, 1894 the Garry Owen Co. appeared at Woods Theater and stayed at the Tremont. The company of eleven was headed by Tony Farrell and wife.

On Feb. 5, 1895, the "Our Country Cousin" company was in Fayetteville. There were eleven actors, headed by Frank and Lillian Jones who occupied Room 23. Others were H. B. Grand and Guy Lask in 21; Leon B. Beate in 22; Inez Yeager and Isabel Randall in 29; Thomas Croxton and M. A. Toney in 30; and Lee Cressler in 31.

On Feb. 13, 1895 Tobert's Concert Company of New York City, made an appearance here. The company consisted of eight musicians. It should be mentioned that the traveling companies were usually preceded by an advance man, called Agent or business manager. Thus, on Apr. 6, 1895 F. McColland signed H.L. Glass's register as "Agent for Fontana." Two weeks later Fontana's Music Makers made their appearance.

McGinley's Musical Comedy Company appeared at the Opera House on June 21, 1895. There were six members in the company. On August 15 one of the better known theatrical troupes played a three-night engagement. This was the Courtenay Morgan Repertoire Co, of six men and two women. The opening bill was "East Lynne". Prices were 10-20-30. Whoever entered the names in the Tremont House register, used an entire page and wrote the names and information about the company in ornamental penmanship. This was a common practice in the 90s, as it gave the show some free advertising.

On Sept. 5 the Hoey Stock Company began a three-night run at the Opera House. The opening play was "Don Caesar de Bazan . There were six men and three women in the company. On Nov. 6 Harry Sheldon, advance man for Hoyt's Comedy Company, registered at the Tremont, and on Nov. 9 J. R. Smiley, agent for the J.K.Emmett Company was here.

Occasional family groups stayed at the Tremont. Thus in July 1894 Mr. and Mrs. Ted Blackmore, Arthur and Geraldine Blackmore, and Miss Clifford Burton, all of Chicago, spent July 12 at the Tremont and were again registered a week later. On Nov. 6, 1894, J. M. Reed and daughter of Lampasas, Texas were at the Tremont. In August 1894 the register records the presence of J.H. Hanna and wife of Perryville and Mary and Lovinia Hanna of Carter's Store.

An unusual threesome was registered at H.L.Glass's hotel on June 21, 1895: Hatrick Mulcahy of Belfast, Ireland; Shaunus McGinty of Ballyshannon, Ireland; and Brian Born of Tipperary, Ireland. On New Year's Eve 1895 there were ten guests registered at the Tremont.

In the old register we found a circular signed by C. J. Leverett of Fayetteville, offering lots for sale, from his farm north of what is now Maple St. There was also an imitation $5 bill picturing actors in B. K. Forman's "Three Musketeers, playing tonight." The ad said "Watch for the Band Parade at 3:30 p.m. The most beautiful costumed band on Earth."

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CIRCULATING LIBRARY OF 67 YEARS AGO

The discovery of an old book in a collection recently presented to the Washington County Historical Society reveals that Fayetteville had a circulating library some 18 years before the first public library was organized. It is not known who sponsored this early library butthe the names of the borrowers suggest that it was a local women's club. The name of only one man appears on the list of those who checked out this book. He was Dr. Richardson, well-known as a promoter of local cultural activities.

The book is a novel entitled "Flames"by Robert Hichens and published in 1897. The book is numbered 12, suggesting that other volumes were available to subscribers. Pasted on the fly-leaf is a sheet that carries the borrowers' names and the date on which they received and returned the book. "Flames" was borrowed, and presumably read, by the following:

1. Dr. Richardson
2. Miss Stone
3. Miss Jordan
4. Mrs. Rice
5. Mrs. Henderson
6. Mrs. Jarrell
7. Mrs. Reed
8. Miss Welch
9. Mrs. Willis
10 Miss Cravens
11 Miss Davis
12. Mrs. Cole
13. Miss Pittman
14. Mrs. Wilkerson
15. Miss Davies
16. Mrs. Walker
17. Mrs. Cravens
18. Mrs. Menke
19. Mrs. Vincenheller
20. Mrs. Stinson
21. Miss Byrnes
22. Miss Gunter

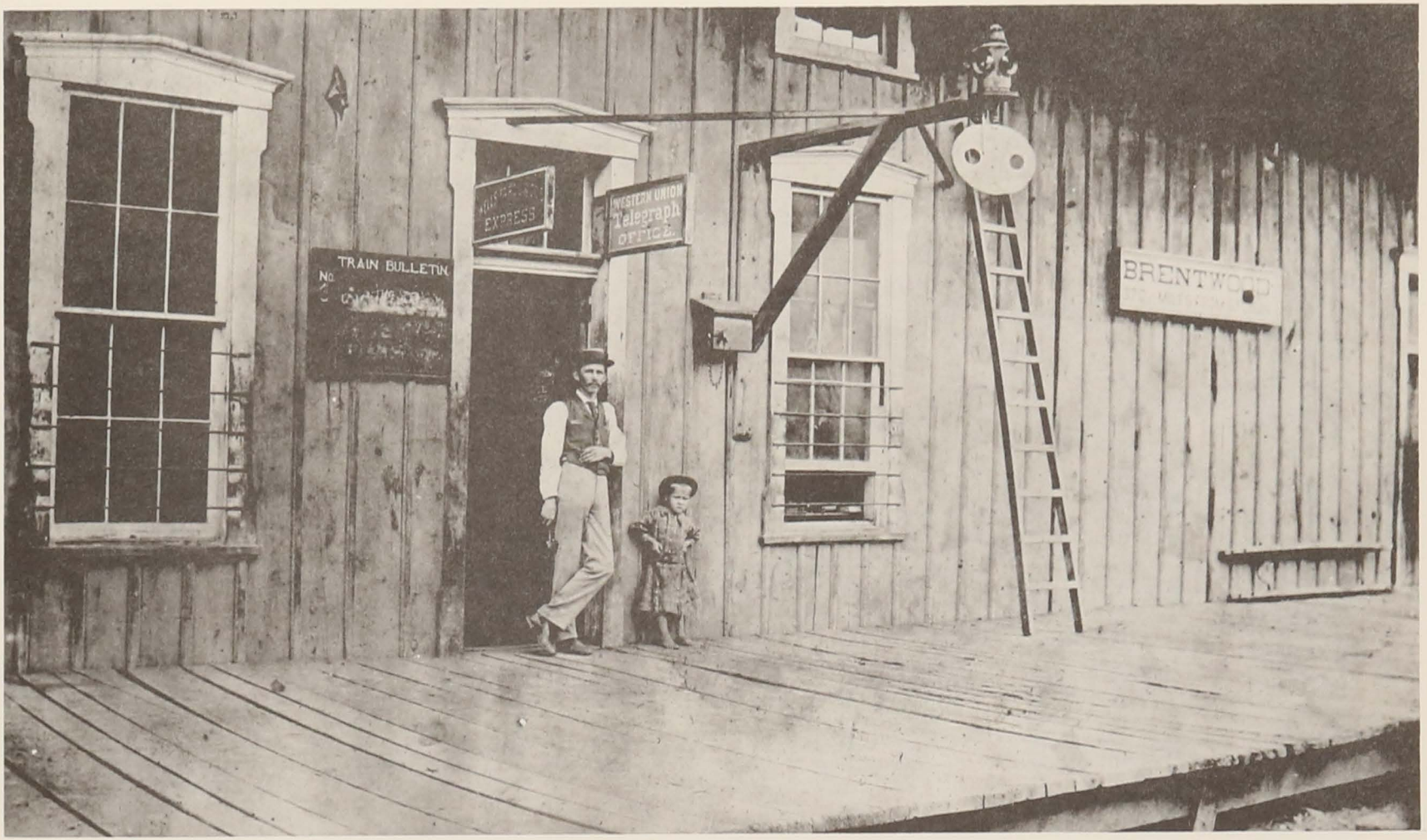
This is an impressive list of readers, since these ladies constituted what was known as Fayetteville "society" 70 years ago. The novel, tame by today's standards, must have been something of a shocker in 1898. "Flames" is the story of a prostitute called "The Lady of Feathers". Here is a typical quotation:

"When she said goodbye to him, the hand-shake that passed between them had become something more to her than a kiss. She kissed so many whom she hated, so many who were dolls of vice to her, who were walking sins, incarnate lust shadows, scarcely men."

The WCHS has presented this book, from what may well have been Fayetteville's first circulating library, to the Public Library, where it has been placed among the curios in the history collection.

SEVIER COUNTY CENSUS

Mrs. Gerald B. McLane, 112 Leach St., Hot Springs, Ark., announces publication of the U.S.Census of 1850 for Sevier Co., Ark., and the Sevier Co. marriage records through 1852, including names of the heads of households in the 1830 and 1840 Census. Special price of this limited first edition is $5 postpaid, before Oct. 15, 1964.



FRISCO DEPOT at Brentwood, Washington County, Arkansas

Mrs. Louallen Fine of Lincoln, Ark., supplies this information. The station agent and telegraph operator, shown on the picture, is Will I. Patterson. The little boy on the picture is Willie Barron, son of Dave and Eliza Barron and grandson of Will Hutchens who operated a store at Brentwood for many years.

BAPTIST ASSOCIATIONS OF NORTHWEST ARKANSAS

(Third Installment)

(Editor's note: This series is based on the collection of printed reports of Baptist Association meetings owned by Mrs. Lee Gregg of Springdale, who is a member of our Society. The fourth and final installment will appear in the next issue of FLASHBACK.)

Fayetteville Baptist Association - 36th annual session, held with the Springdale Church, Aug. 31 and Sept. 1, 1906. Moderator, Phillips. Secretary, Hood. Churches were represented by the following messengers:

Elm Springs - G. T. Grammar, Chas. George, R. H. Clayton
Pleasant Home - C. O. Farmer, W. H. Cohea, C. A. Braughton
Spring Creek - W. F. Grainsley, Jessie Bradley
Wedington - A. C. Dees, O. F. Moss, Troy Cooper
Prairie Grove - H.C.Winstead, F. T. Coffey, E. Moss
Vineyard - J. H. Burnett, M. G. Burnett, T. P. Burnett
Shady Grove - John Lichliter, G.W.Brooks, W. M. Lichliter
Sulphur City - H. F. Head, G.J.M.Seitz
Springdale - J. A. Smith, I. M. Phillips, A. W. Beavers
Fayetteville - W. A. Whittle, J. P. Harris, J. P. Johnson
Valley Grove - D. L. Hood, W. S. Springston
Westville - Wm. Pearson, M. G. Wilkey, Nathan Walker
New Hope - A. A. Looper, F. Horton, J. A. Looper
Antioch - A. Anderson
Wager - W. A. George
Goshen - W. H. Villiard
Apostolic - P. C. Miller, W. N. Elliott, Doug Sexon
Mt. Gillead - John Wells
Prividence - Willia Holland, M. White
Valley Grove No. 2 - D. W. Reed, C. D. McLain
Mr. Vernon - Andy Oxford, F. M. Stobaugh, F. M. Brooks
Pitkin - T. J. Doyle
Liberty - W. W. Kimbrough, L. L. Johnson
West Fork - M. Johnson
Friendship - B. F. Todd, Lizzie Ferril
Union Hill - Eliza Adams, H. M. Spyres, Thos. Devine
Bethlehem - James M. Farmer, A. G. Taylor
Little Elm - By letter
Mt. Pisgah - L. B. Hembree
Center Point - J. A. Stone, Wm. Vaughn

Minutes of the 37th annual session of the Fayetteville Baptist Association, held with the Pleasant Home Church Aug. 31 and Sept. 1 and 2, 1907. Moderator, Elder J.A.Smith of Springdale; Secretary, Elder D. L. Hood of Elkins.

Report shows 35 churches in the Association. The largest were Springdale 279, Fayetteville 180, Shady Grove 125, Westville 113. Smallest churches were West Fork 5 and Barren Fork 18.

Minutes of 38th annual session of the Fayetteville Baptist Association held with the New Hope Church, Aug. 22, 23, 24, 1908.
Moderator, Phillips: Secretary, Hood.

38 churches, all in Washington Co. except these in Oklahoma:
Baptist Mission, Baptist, Okla. - J.A.Robinson, pastor; D.Bushyhead, clerk.
Baron Fork, Stilwell, Ok.a - U. Farthing, pastor; J.P.Wilkie, clerk
Union Hill, Westville, Okla. - H. C. Winstead, pastor; Tom Devine, clerk.
Westville, Westville, Okla. - I.M.Phillips, pastor; J.B.Allison, clerk.

Minutes of 39th annual session of Fayetteville Baptist Association held with the First Baptist Church, Springdale, Ark., Sept. 4,5,6, 1909.
Moderator, Winstead; Secretary, A.W.Bevers, Rogers, Ark.

34 churches. Lee's Creek now listed in Washington Co., with John Zinnamon of Blackburn as Clerk. Wager changed to Wager Mills, with Alex Sanders of Centerton as pastor and H.H.Huffmaster of Elm Springs as Clerk.
New church named Zinnamon listed, no pastor, but M.E.Hall of West Fork clerk.

Minutes of 40th annual session of Fayetteville Baptist Association held with the Baptist Mission Church of Westville, Okla., Sept.3,4,5, 1910.

Obituary committee (J.A.Luper, Laura English, Fannie Kimbrough) reported 26 deaths during the past year, among them J.H.Lichlyter and Cathron Ramey of Shady Grove, Dan Holcomb and G.W.Cox of Little Elm, E.H.Sanders, Ellen Langston and James Henry of Springdale, Sisters O.D.Slaughter and E.Joyce of Mt.Vernon; Wallace Norman, Lizzie Sharp and John Reece of Spring Creek; L.J.Bruner of Zinnamon. -- 33 churches.

Minutes of the 41st annual session of Fayetteville Baptist Association held with Little Elm Church, Sept. 2-4, 1911. Moderator, Winstead; Clerk, C.S.Farmer of Prairie Grove.
Resolution adopted:
Whereas there is a body of people in Springdale, Ark., calling themselves the Second batist Church of Springdale, and whereas the so-called Second church is composed of parties who stand excluded from the First Baptist Church of Springdale, and whereas said Second church has been administering the ordinance of baptism; and whereas we, the Fayetteville Association, consider such baptisms unscriptural, Therefore be it resolved that we the Association in regular session with Little Elm Baptist church recommend that the churches composing this Association reject all such baptisms and all letters from said Second Baptist Church.
Committee: E.R.Chiles, J.L.Brown, W.J.Bradley, Arthur Smith

Minutes of 42nd annual session of Fayetteville Baptist Association held with Vineyard Church, Aug. 31, Sept. 1-2, 1912. Moderator, Eld.G.C.Winters of Springdale; Clerk, Eld. D.L.Hood of Elkins.

35 churches, including Bethel (P.O. Odell), Fall Creek (P.O. Strickler), Summers and Oakland.
Some pastors' salaries: Fayetteville $1,625; Prairie Grove $200; Spring Valley $120; Elm Springs $60; Friendship $60; Vineyard $60; Summers $24.
Report printed by Mountain Air, St.Paul, Ark.

Minutes of the 43rd annual session of the Fayetteville Baptist Association, held with Oakland Church, Sept. 5-8, 1913. Moderator, Elder C. G. Winters of Springdale; Clerk, Elder C.S.Farmer of Farmington.
31 churches.

Minutes of 44th annual session of Fayetteville Baptist Association, held with Spring Valley Church Sept. 4-6, 1914. Moderator Hood; Clerk Farmer.

Report of Committee on Romanism:

The most oppressive and intolerant form of heathenism that has ever soourged the nations is what is commonly called Roman Catholicism. Dorn through the Middle Ages it drenched this old earth in the bloof of millions of the best men and women that ever lived. It did the same during the age of the Reformation. The horrors of the Spanish Inquisition and St.Bartholomew's Day are known to every reader of history. The bloody crusades against the Waldenses - who are our Baptist ancestors - are familiar to every student of Baptist history.

Today we have the Inquisition in America as far as it can be operated. Godly and patriotic men who lecture on the cruel persecutions and vile corruptions of this monster system are kidnapped and mobbed. The fearful conflict is already on. For a number of years immigration from Europe has been mainly from Catholic countries. About one-seventh of our population is now Catholic. Yet Rome is so active in politics that a vast majority of the federal appointments to office have been given to Catholics.

Now the thing for all patriotic Americans to do is to vote for no man that can be swayed or used by Romanism to advance or favor its special interests in any way. Also, we should vote for men in our legislature who will labor for a law to unbolt all the convents and similar institutions. Earnestly submitted

Chas. Branson, N.N.B.Hepler, W.I.Elledge - Committee

24 churches

Minutes of the 45th annual session of the Fayetteville Baptist Association, held with Prairie Grove Church Sept. 3-5, 1915. Moderator, Winsted of Evansville; clerk, Farmer of Farmington.

List of ordained ministers:

H. W. Miller, Goshen
L. G. Earl, Strickler
A. C. Taylor, Blackburn
M. H. Spyres, Blackburn
C. Branson, Blackburn
J. A. Bacon, Evansville
W. B. McAtee, Evansville
H. C. Winsted, Evansville
D. L. Hood, Elkins
J. A. Stone, Elkins
A. C. Dees, Rhea
G. W. Setser, Elm Springs
W. C. Hamby, Fayetteville
M. P. Hunt, Fayetteville
G. W. Albright, Lincoln
H. M. Spyres, Lincoln
S. P. Kennedy, West Fork
H. C. Stansbury, Baldwin
J. E. Baggett, Wyman
O. L. Lierly, Harris
W. S. Luper, Johnson
G. P. Hanks, Johnson
E. A. Barry, Hindsville
Floyd Tillman, Sonora
W. I. Elledge, Springdale
E. F. Rice, Springdale
J. D. Beavers, Springdale
J. H. Pgman, Springdale
J. T. Boyd, Springdale
J. N. B. Helper, Springdale
Gomer Tillman, Springdale
P. L. Spyres, Springdale
J. D. Carr, Prairie Grove
J. F. Parker, Prairie Grove
E. L. Conry, Prairie Grove
C. S. Farmer, Farmington

Resolution No. 1:

Whereas, the cigarette habit is fast growing in this county, and whereas its effects are pernicious and dedly, destroying both the mental and physical powers, sapping the vitality of the youths addicted thereto, so that just as they ought to be coming to the zenith of their powers, they have to drop out of the race of life, and after a lingering existence that is worse than death, fall into their graves physical, mental and spiritual wrecks. Therefore, be it resolved that this Association puts itself on record as unalterably opposed to the use of cigarettes and that we urge parents, pastors, Sunday School teachers, Superintendents, and public school teachers, to use every opportunity for the combatting of this evil, and that they pledge every boy coming under their influence against the use of the same.

Minutes of the 46th annual session of the Fayetteville Baptist A ssociation, held with Springdale Baptist Church sept. 1-3, 1916. Moderator, Eld. W.C.Hamby of Fayetteville; Clerk, C.S.Farmer of Farmington.

Report on Romanism:

The Hierarchy known as the Roman Catholic Church and having as its head the Pope has been active in American politics with the avowed purpose of Romanizing this government....We commend to the public the papers published by the patriotic press of our county. Among these are The Menace, Aurora, Mo. by Watson's publications...We recommend that by vote and otherwise patriotic Americans seek to preserve our liberties against the preying hand of that Hierarchy.

Committee: W.I.Elledge, S.M.Claypool, H.R.Watson

Report on Temperance:

We commend the faithful work of our law-making body in securing the passage of our present state-wide prohibition law. We note with alarm, the efforts that are at present being put forth by the liquor forces, to have this law repealed and placed in its stead a "Local Option" law, and it will be on our ballots at the coming election in November as Act No. 2...We recommend that we not only vote against Act. No.2 but we work against said Act No.2.

Committee: E.S.Thompson, W.D.Pearson, D.T.Hembree

27 churches report in Statistical Tables. Here is the Directory:

Churches	Pastor and Address	Clerk and Address
Apostolic	O. L. Lierly, Harris	C.E.Salsbery, Harris
Bethlehem	M. H. Spyres, Blackburn	W.J.Farmer, Strickler
Center Point	J.E.Baggett, Wyman	N.W.Phillips, Wyman
Elm Springs	W.C.Hamby, Fayetteville	G.F.Farmer, Elm Springs
Fall Creek	J.E.Gardner, Strickler	L.M.McWhorter,Strickler
Fayetteville	L.E.Barton, Fayetteville	S.F.Morrow, Fayetteville
Friendship	D.L.Hood, Elkins	A. M. Reed, Springdale
Goshen	O. L. Lierly, Elkins	Bessie Blake, Goshen
Illinois	W. S. Napier, Lincoln	P.E.Morris, Watts,Okla.
Little Elm	G.S.Farmer, Farmington	J.S.Jackson, Farmington
Liberty	H.G.Winstead, Evansville	E.W.Luginbuel, Lincoln
Mt. Pisgah	A. C. Dees, Rhea	G. C. Sexton, Lincoln
Mt. Vernon	O. L. Lierly, Harris	G.O.Trammel, Habberton

Mountain view.....	G.E.Gardner, Strickler.....	I.B.Earl, Strickler
New Hope.....	W.S.Luper, Fayetteville.....	J.A.Luper,Fayetteville
Oakland.....	L.L.Johnson Lowell.....	J.M.Warren,Fayville
Pleasant Home.....	H.M.Spyres, PrairirieGrove.....	H.N.Farmer,PrGrove
Pleasant Valley.....	T. F. Jones, Decatur.....	E.N.Wood, Harris
Prairie Grove.....	E.L.Conery, Prairie Grove.....	S.R.Wilson, PrGrove
Prairie View.....	C.S.Farmer, Farmington.....	E.G.Cohea, PrGrove
Providence.....	J.F.Parker, Prairie Grove.....	Nora White,Farmington
Shady Grove.....	Gomer Tillman, Springdale.....	G.W.Brooks, Sprgdale
Spring Creek.....	L.L.Johnson, Lowell.....	W.F.Grimsley,Sprgdale
Springdale.....	W.I.Elledge, Springdale.....	E.S.Thompson,Sprgdale
Spring Valley.....	L.L.Johnson, Lowell.....	H.Puryear,SprgValley
Valley Grove.....	D. L. Hood, Elkins.....	Millie Hood, Elkins
Vineyard.....	H.C.Winstead, Evansville.....	R.M.Denton,Evansvlle

Minutes of the 47th annual session of Fayetteville Baptist Association held with Fayetteville Church, Aug. 31, Sept. 2, 1917
Moderator, W. R. Furguson of Prairie Grove
Clerk, Elder C.S.Farmer of Farmington

Statistical report shows 26 churches. List of Ordained Ministers:

H. W. Miller, Harris
J. A. Bacon, Evansville
W. B. McAtee, Evansville
G. W. Albright, Lincoln
G. E. Gardner, Strickler
A. G. Taylor, Strickler
J. S. Baggett, Wyman
W. S. Looper, Johnson
J. T. Boyd, Springdale
H. E. Plumlee, Springdale
E. F. Rice, Springdale
J.N.B. Hepler, Springdale
D. L. Hood, Elkins
L. E. Barton, Fayetteville
W. A. Moffit, Fayetteville
J. F. Parker, Prairie Grove
G. S. Farmer, Farmington
M. H. Spyres, Blackburn
H. C. Winstead, Evansville
A. C. Dees, Rhea
W. S. Napier, Lincoln
L. L. Earl, Strickler
W. C. Stansbury, Baldwin
O. L. Lierly, Harris
G. R. Hanks, Johnson
G. Tillman, Springdale
W. I. Elledge, Springdale
J. H. Pigman, Springdale
P. L. Spyres, Springdale
J. A. Stone, Elkins
W. C. Hamby, Fayetteville
H. M. Spyres, Prairie Grove
M. G. Burnett, Prairie Grove

Minutes of the 48th annual session of Fayetteville Baptist Association held with Oakland Church, Aug. 30, Sept. 1, 1918.
Elder J.F.Parker, Moderator; Elder C.S.Farmer, Clerk

O.L.Lierly, Associational Missionary, reported that he had worked 7 months 9 days, had collected $163 on the field, Balance due on Association work $215; preached 248 sermons, made 18 religious visits, 81 conversions, 46 baptisms. Had held meetings at Sulphur City, Fairview School House, Spring Creek, Sycamore, Fall Creek, Bethlehem, Skylight, Vineyard, Lees Creek and Little Elm. Collections ranged from $4.42 at Skylight to $36.40 at Spring Creek.

Statistical Table showed 25 churches. Membership: Fayetteville 548, Springdale 406, Oakland 108, Spring Creek 99.

For first time a Sunday School Directory was published, as follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORY 1918

Church	Supt	Address	Secty	Address
Apostolic	Wm.Kirkland	Harris	Gussie Hall	Harris
Bethlehem	Jno. Byrum	Blackburn	Anna Byrum	Blackburn
Center Point	L.D.Griswell	Wyman	E. Wilson	Wyman
Fall Creek	G.P.Wilson	WestFork Rl.	MattieMcWhorter	Strickler
Fayetteville	A.G.Flowers	Fayetteville.	Lee Bossemeyer	Fayetteville
Friendship	A.M.Reed	Springdale	ForrestWilson	Springdale
Johnson	Mrs.M.D.Hanks.	Johnson	Jeff Banks	Johnson
Liberty	D.B.Paulsell	Dutch Mills	Ruth Leach	DutchMills
Little Elm	B. E. Tate	Farmington.	Fannie McWhorter,	Farmington
Mt.Pisgah	F.E.Cheatham.	Lincoln	Bessie Rich	Lincoln
Mt.Vernon	Wm.Miller	Habberton	Daisy Lower	Habberton
Oakland	F. A. Graham.	Fayetteville.	Mary Ivy	Springdale
Pleasant Home	H. N. Farmer.	Pr Grove	Ethel Hale	Pr Grove
Prairie Grove	S. R. Wilson.	Pr Grove	Nannie Burnett	Pr Grove
Skylight	W.P.Baten	Cane Hill	Lula Sharrock	Cane Hill
Spring Creek	W.J.Bradley	Sprgdale	Kelva Sharp	Springdale
Springdale	E.S.Thompson.	Sprgdale	Leo Lichlyter	Springdale
Spring Valley	Jno.Bruner	SprgValley.	Artie Fitch	SprgValley
Sycamore	E. F. Page	Wheeler	Daisy Hulse	Wheeler

This collection of the annual reports of Baptist Association meetings contains copies of the following booklets.

WASHINGTON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Meeting at Lincoln, July 28-29, 1922
Meeting at Prairie Grove, Aug. 16-17, 1923
Meeting at Fayetteville, Sept. 11-12, 1924
Meeting at Springdale, Sept. 10-11, 1925
Meeting at Fayetteville, Sept. 9-10, 1926
Meeting at Spring Valley, Sept. 1-2, 1927
Meeting at Fayetteville, Sept. 10-11, 1929
Meeting at Fayetteville, Sept. 10-11, 1931
Meeting at Spring Valley, Sept. 8-9, 1932
Meeting at Springdale, Sept. 7-8, 1933
Meeting at Lincoln, Sept. 2-3, 1936
Meeting at Fayetteville, Sept. 21-22, 1938
Meeting at Lincoln, Sept. 19-20, 1940

WASHINGTON-MADISON COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Meeting at Fayetteville, Sept. 11-12, 1941
Meeting at Sulphur City, Oct. 8-9, 1942
Meeting at Sonora, Oct. 21, 1943
Meeting at Spring Valley, Oct. 19, 1944
Meeting at Fayetteville, Oct. 18, 1945
Meeting at Lincoln, Oct. 17-18, 1946
Meeting at Johnson, Oct. 16-17, 1947
Meeting at Springdale, Oct. 21-22, 1948
Meeting at Fayetteville, Oct. 20-21, 1949
Meeting at Springdale, Oct. 19, 1950
Meeting at Springdale, Oct. 6-10, 1952
Meeting at Fayetteville, Oct. 5-7, 1953
Meeting at Springdale Caudle Ave., Oct. 7-8, 1954
Meeting at Fayetteville University Church, Oct. 6-7, 1955
Meeting at Springdale First Church, Oct. 4-5, 1956
Meeting at Fayetteville First Church, Oct. 3-4, 1957

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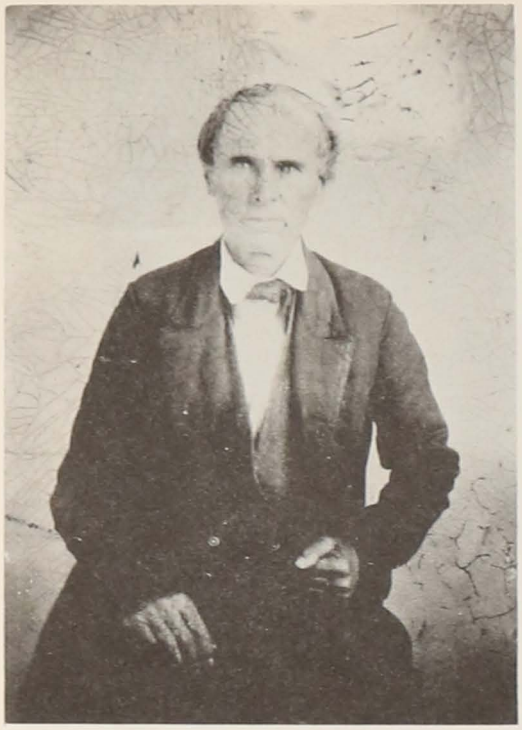
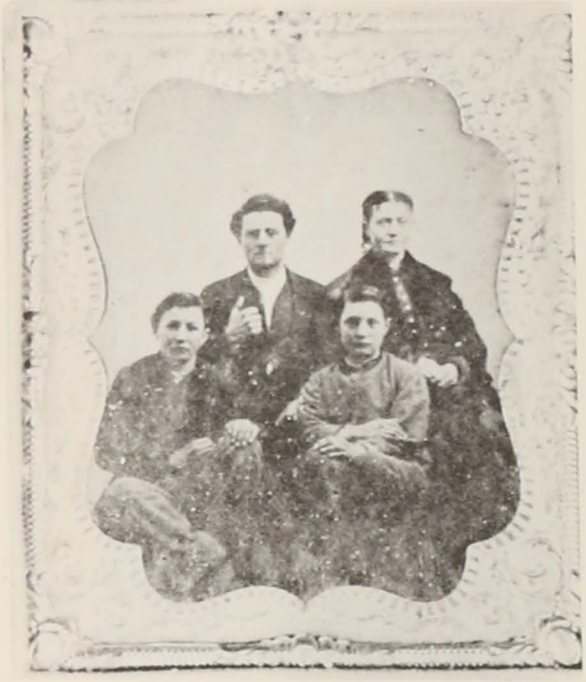


MAJOR JOHN N. BILLINGSLEY
born 1801, son of Maj. James Billingsley.
Came to Washington Co. 1828

AMY AND DATON GILBREATH,
children of Sarah Billingsley Gilbreath

(photos courtesy Faye Dearing Barr)

JOHN E. PEERSON AND WIFE SARAH
about 1850



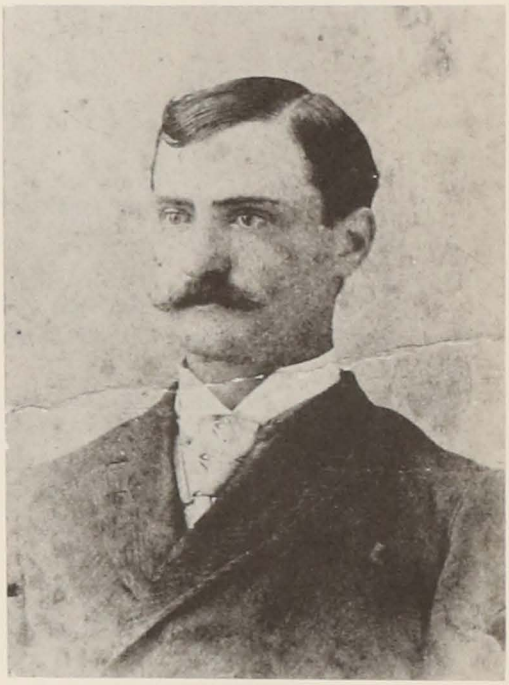
Right, standing
AMANDA E. PEERSON

(Tintypes courtesy Vale Mayes)

AMANDA E. PEERSON

AMANDA E. PEERSON AND FRIEND
about 1870

WM. E. MAYES and
two of his drivers — Mayes at right.



C. S. MAYES
Photo at Johnson, Ark. about 1904.

Photos courtesy C. Vale Mayes, Edinburg, Texas

FAYETTEVILLE DEMOCRATIC CLUB ORGANIZED 1892

(Editor's note: The records below are from the book kept by the secretary, J. D. Wilson. His daughter, Mrs. Kate Wilson Ripley, recently found the old bookfrom which we have copied the constitution and the list of members.)

Saturday, March 19, 1892

In compliance with a call of Democrats of the City of Fayetteville, who had enrolled their names as members of a Democratic Club, a meeting was held on the above date for the purpose of forming a permanent organization. After the election of officers, a motion was made and seconded and carried unanimously that the name of the organization shall be the Fayetteville Democratic Club. The following named members were elected as officers:

President - W. S. Pollard
1st Vice-President - S. E. Marrs
2nd Vice-President - H. F. Reagan
Secretary - J. D. Wilson
Treasurer - Jas. Burkitt

Executive Committee

Geo. T. Lake
W. C. Braly
A. S. Gregg
J. A. Ferguson

Committee on Admission

C. T. Harding
Maurice Coffey
W. S. Tunstill

The fourth Saturday night of each month was fixed as the time for regular meetings of the Club, and twenty (20) members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. On motion, Club adjourned to meet on Saturday night, March 26, 1892. - J.D.Wilson, secy.

Constituion

We Democrats of Fayetteville hereby associate ourselves together under the following Constitution.

PRINCIPLES. The Object of this Club are as follows:

To foster and disseminate Jeffersonian principles of government;
to preserve the Constitution of the United States, the autonomy of states, local self-government and freedom of elections;
To resist revolutionary changes, and the centralization of power;
To oppose the imposition of taxes beyond the necessities of government economically administered;
To promote economy in all branches of the public service;
To oppose unnecessary Commercial restrictions for the benefit of the few at the expense of the many;
To oppose class legislation,which despoils labor and builds up monopoly;
To maintain inviolate the fundamental principles of Democracy -- Equality before the Law and to cooperate with the regular organization of the Democratic Party in support of Democratic men and Democratic measures.

OFFICERS. The officers of this Club shall be a President, two vice-presidents, a secretary and a treasurer, who shall be elected annually by a majority vote of the Club, and hold their offices for one year and until their successors are elected.

(1) The President shall preside at all meetings of the Club.
(2) The Vice Presidents shall, in the order of their seniority, discharge the duties of the President in the event of his absence, disability or refusal to act.

( ) The Secretary shall keep the roll of the Club, shall record and preserve minutes of the proceedings of the Club, conduct its correspondence and discharge such other duties as ma y from time to time be assigned to him by the Executive Committee.

(4) The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all moneys for and on account of the Club, pay such bills as are audited and approved by the Executive Committee, and discharge such other duties as may from time to time be assigned to him by the Executive Committee.

COMMITTEES. There shall be an Executive Committee to be annually elected by the Club, consisting of four members and the officers of the Club who shall be ex-officio members, which shall have general charge of the interests and action of the Club, and control its finances, and shall be also a Campaign Committee.

There shall be a Committee on Admissions, of three members to be elected annually. There may be such other standing committees as may from time to time be determined upon.

AMENDMENTS. This Constitution may be amended at any regular meeting, two-thirds of the members present concurring, provided notice in writing of the proposed amendment be given to the Secretary at least one week previous.

BY-LAWS

ORDER OF BUSINESS. At all regular meetings of the Club the order of business shall be 1

1. Roll Call
2. Reading Minutes
3. Report of Treasurer
4. Report of Executive Committee
5. Report of Other Standing Committees
6. Election of Members
7. Unfinished Business
8. Miscellaneous Business

At any special meeting of the Club, the object of the call shall be the first order of business.

QUORUM. Twenty members of the Club shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

MEETINGS. Regular meetings of the Club shall be had on the fourth Saturday night of each month. The annual election shall be held at the regular meeting in the month of January. Special meetings for business, for the discussion of Jeffersonian doctrines of government, or to listen to addresses, may be called by the President or the Executive Committee. The President at the request in writing of ten members must call a meeting of the Club.

Admissions. Any member may nominate a candidate for admission to the Club by notifying the Chairman of the Committee on Admissions. Candidates recommended by the Committee on Admissions will be voted upon by the Club by ballot, and must receive four-fifths of the ballots cast.

DUES. The amount due from each member of the Club shall be ten cents per month, to be paid monthly, and the Executive Committee may drop from the rolls members in default for non-payment of dues.

RULES OF ORDER. The parliamentary rules covering the deliberations of this Club shall be those contained in "Roberts Rules of Order."

AMENDMENTS. These By-Laws may be enlarged and amended at any regular meeting, by a two-thirds vote of all the members present.

NAMES OF MEMBERS
Fayetteville Democratic Club

W. C. Braly
Hugh F. Reagan
J. Watkins
Jas. Burkitt
W. M. Simpson
S. E. Marrs
Ed S. Quarles
G. F. A gee
I. M. Partridge
W. S. Pollard
J. T. Lusk
W. T. Barry
Jack Walker
J. E. Crouch
Geo. T. Lake
W. J. Thurman
John May
D. A. Bridenthal
D.V.M. Crimmons
A. S. Vandeventer
W. A. Gregg
Theo. F. Jones
W. H. Whitlow
H. D. Wood
H. R. Dougherty
T. W. Pollard
C. T. Harding
B. J. Wade
W. E. Long
E. D. Davies
J. L. Duke
J. T. Taylor
W. D. Flynn
T. M. Gunter
J. E. Suttle
B. F. Smith
W. M. Brown
W. R. Lanier
J. C. Myers
J. C. Williams

Len Smith
J. L. Bozarth
W. N. Crenshaw
S. D. Luther
Hugh F. Buie
Rem R. Smith
Joe Holcomb
W. T. Harmon
Jno. A. Griffin
R. B. Morton
S. C. Ollar
W. C. Stone
S. R. Stone
W. A. Moore
W. F. Thomas
A. W. Arnold
Thos. Gray
R. C. Choate
C. C. Conner
F. M. Barnett
James A. Barnes
L. B. Lantrip
Geo. Sutton
G. M. Hagood
J. L. Dickson
P. F. Davidson
W. S. Tunstill
S. P. Pittman
I. G. Combs
John Marshall
J. P. Scott
J. B. Shannon
J. L. Cravens
Maurice Coffey
G. W. Stuckey
J. V. Walker
W.T.Satterfield
Wm. H. Cravens
Mac Devin

J. D. Wilson
D. C. McCracken
C. T. Kennon
C. Dall
J. W. Willis
T. J. Martin
C. O. Hansard
M. W. Spencer
E. B. Starke
W. D. Harris
J. F. Mitchell
Jas. J. Vaulx
T. L. Duggins
Clint Davenport
A. B. Kell
J. H. Ferguson
C. A. Mulholland
J. H. VanHoose
W. N. Yates
R. J. Wilson
H. L. Glass
Chas. Richardson
C. S. Hauptman
L. B. Stone
Ed A. Carnes
R. L. Vaughan
Thos. Wainwright
W. French
J. N. Tillman
W. M. Gaskill
A. S. Gregg Sr.
W. M. Tunstill
W. G. Tunstill
Nat Lee
C. Booger
Frank Hill
W. L. Stuckey
B. J. Brown
A. M. Wilson
W. H. Summers
J. H. McIlroy

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(Editor's note: We thank the folks who contributed original source material for this issue of FLASHBACK -- Mrs. Vincent Ripley (Fayetteville Democratic Club); Mrs. Henry Shreve (register of Glass's Hotel); Mrs. Gregg of Springdale (Reports of Baptist Association Meetings for over a hundred years). And Mrs. Ledgerwood for the fascinating Mitchell-Rutherford letters of the Old Days. -- WJL)

GENEALOGICAL RECORDS in the NATIONAL ARCHIVES

The Gneral Services Administration, National Archives and Records Service, Washington 25, D.C., has sent us a review copy of a new and valuable "Guide to Genealogical Records in the National Archives."This 146-page book, compiled by Coket and Bridgers, lists the genealogical records available in the National Archives under the following main headings:

1. Population and mortality census schedules
2. Passenger arrival lists
3. United States Military Records
4. United States naval and marine records
5. Records of veterans' benefits
6. Records concerning the Confederate States of America
7. Land-entry records for the public-land States
8. Other records of genealogical value

Each of these main headings has many sub-headings. For example, No.3 United States Military Records, includes such records as these:

Military Records of the Regular Army
Military records of the Revolutionary War
Military service records of volunteer organizations:
- Records of the War of 1812
- Records of the Indian wars and related wars
- Records of the Mexican war
- Records of the Civil War
- Records of the Spanish-American war
- Records of the Philippine Insurrection

Burial records of soldiers, including records of burials at U.S. military installations, applications for headstones, card records of World War I soldiers who died overseas, etc.

There is a tremendous amount of other genealogical information in the "Guide", such as Index to the records, research aids, general observations, etc.

The " Guide to Genealogical Records in the National Archives" can be ordered from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. The price is 50 cents. Do not ask to see our copy of the "Guide". We have sent it to the Arkansas Genealogical Society, Box 587, Conway, Ark. and have asked the editor of the Arkansas Family Historian to give it a review in that publication.

A QUERY BUT NO ANSWER

Please send me any information concerning the Civil War and the Civil War Centennial in Washington County.

Ed Newton
238 West Jacinto, Tucson, Ariz.

(Editor's note: We receive frequent requests like the foregoing. Our Society is financed by 500 dues-paying members and is not a public-service organization. We usually refer these requests tothe Chamber of Commerce which knows less about the Civil War than we do, but has much more money than we have.)

FRANCIS M. BEATY and wife
MARY JANE VAWTERS BEATY
and their children:

Dee, Inez, Ella Beaty Cushing and baby, Debbie, Anne, Edna, Willie.

JEHU BEATY and wife
SALLY JONES BEATY.
Jehu Beaty was the writer of the letter in 1854 which united the Beaty family after 110 years.

(See in this issue, "History of the Beaty Family" by Burlene Hilton.)

JOHN VAWTERS FAMILY HISTORY

by Burlene Hilton

An almost forgotten family name was once a familiar one on Beaty Mountain, now known as the Gem community north of Lincoln, Ark. John Vawters was born July 28, 1817. He met and married Lucinda Janes in Rockford, Ill. Here their children were born. About 1858 the family moved to Sherman, Texas. By this time three children were old enough to marry and settled in Texas, while John and the rest of his family moved to Arkansas about 1865 and settled near the Holts, Collins, Beatys and Osburns in the western part of Washington County.

John and Lucinda Vawters had nine children. Their oldest is thought to be Columbus who married a wife in Sherman, Texas. The wife's name is unknown but two know children were Ada and Alice.

The second child Elizabeth married John Miller of Sherman, Texas; their children were Oscar, Virgil and Frank. Frank came to Arkansas to visit when a young man and married Dee Beaty, a cousin.

The third child, Marian Vawters, married in Texas. His children were: Bud, Arthur, Littlie and William. The descendants of these three Vawters families are numberous in the Sherman, Texas, area today.

Mary Jane Vawters, the fourth child, was born in 1849. She was 17 years of age when they came to A rkansas. Here she met and married Francis M. Beaty, son of Alexander Beaty. Mary Jane and Francis M. (Frank) Beaty had twelve children: Sam, Ada, Ella, Ida, Debra, Dee, Delpha, Annie, Inez, Frederick, Edna, and Willie. Their entire lives were spent on a farm. The children all made their homes around Lincoln, except Dee who made her home in Sherman, Texas, after marriage.

Scott W. VaWters was the fifth child, born Jan. 12, 1850. He married Amanda Holt, daughter of Earls and Angeline Collins Holt. They lived on a farm in the Gem community until their children were reared. Scott also ran a small grocery store which was located near the familiar spring in the community. Their children, numbering thirteen, were: William, Addie, Travis, Dollie, Helen, John D., infant son (no name), Dessie, Leonard, Clyde, Ada, and Myrtle. Myrtle died at the age of eight years from a shotgun wound which was accidentally fired by her brother Travis. The entire family moved to Bakersfield, Calif. except Addie who married Pete Tong and settled in Fort Worth, Texas. Many descendants of this family still live in Bakersfield. Uncle Scott passed away June 25, 1923 and is buried in the Beaty cemetery in Washington Co., Ark. Aunt Amanda lived to be quite old. She is buried in Bakersfield, Calif.

Sarah Ellen Vawters was the sixth child and married William Donaldson. They moved to California. Their children were six in number: John, Mattie, Lou, Emma, Millie and Lillie. Lillie married anArmstrong and their descendants are in Tulsa, Okla. Sarah Ellen's second marriage was to John Campbell and their children were John, Frank, Ruby and Jim.

Emma Vawters was the seventh child, born 1856. She married Dekalb (Doke M.) Holt. They made their home on a farm in the Beaty community although they owned and operated a general store in Lincoln in the

early days. Their children were: Bertha, Eva, Agnes, Lon, Gertie, Spurgeon, Corda, Claudia, John D., Roy, and Bessie. Bessie died from burns when a very small child.

Bud Vawters was the eighth child of John and Lucinda. He married Mollie Lyons and moved to PaulsValley, Okla.One known son was Charlie.

Susan Vawters, the ninth child, married George Osborn, son of Peter Osborn. They moved to Skiatook, Okla., when the children were small. George helped his father operate a saw-mill up to this time. Seven children were born to them: Maggie, Oscar, Lucinda, John, Ada, Nancy, and Pearl.

The Vawters, Holts and Beatys became a family of relatives, as marriage ties made one large family through the years.

At the age of 64, John Vawters' health broke down. In his illness,he took his gun one morning and told his wife he was going to shoot a rabbit. He did not return soon, so she went to look for him and found him dead by hanging himself in his barn. His wife Lucinda went to Texas to visit her children and died there. She is buried near Sherman, Texas in the Plainview community cemetery. John is buried in the Beaty cemetery in Washington County, Ark.

NEWS NOTES

Our Society has published a Check List of the heads of families listed in the U. S. Census of Washington County for 1830, 1840, and 1850. All names listed alphabetically and easy to check. Price is $1. When ordering, specify "Census Check List". Address, Secretary WCHS, Box 237, Fayetteville, Ark.

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Mrs. Roy Williams has given our Society a collection of old Fayetteville newspapers, including a copy of the Democrat's special edition commemorating the University's 50th anniversary (1922). There are also several 1917 issues that give the numbers and names drawn in the first World War draft. We plan to publish an article based on these old papers, in an early issue of Flashback.

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FLASHBACK has not made a practice of publishing obituaries. But we should mention that the recent death of Margaret Gallaway has removed the last of three Gallaway sisters, all of them librarians, who did so much to preserve the early history of Fayetteville. The last letter we received from Miss Margaret contained a lot of historical notes that her sister Rowena had collected, chiefly about the early families of Fayetteville. The three Gallaway sisters -- Irene, Rowena, Margaret -- are buried in Evergreen cemetery, Fayetteville. They left us a challenging historical heritage.

THE WHITES OF WASHINGTON AND BENTON COUNTIES

(Correction: Among the pictures of bearded pioneers that we published in our July 1964 issue of Flashback, we published a picture of David L. White (1841-1897), confederate soldier who married Deborah Ann Cates. Our credit line said the photo came from Mrs.Roberta Jones of California. Our mistake. The picture came from Mrs. C.E.Moore of Fort Worth, Texas, who is a White descendant. Mrs.Moore scolded us gently and furnished the following information. -- WJL

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My White ancestors came to Benton Co., Ark. ca. 1839. This is from our old White Family Bible.

Robert White, b. 25 June, 1806 (d. Benton Co, Ark. 12-12-1863. He married twice -- name of first wife unknown to me, but they had two sons: John L. and T.M. or F.M., called Marion White. About 1834-36 Robert White married 2nd to Mary (WHO ?). She was b. Apr. 9, 1816 in S.C.,By census Robert White was born in Tenn. Children of Robert White and 1st wife:

1. John Loren White, b 20 Jan. 1829; m Elizabeth Miller of Benton Co., Ark. Moved to Texas in 1864-65. They had 9 children.
2. Marion White, b. Dec. 25, 1833; m Camelia (Cornelia ?) Isbell of Benton Co., Ark. This family came to Texas with my gr-grandparents -- David and Deborah Ann (Cates) White, 1866.

Robert and 1st wife may have had another child. This is all I know of.

Robert and 2nd wife (Mary ?) had 9 children:
1. James M., b 20-22 Sept., 1836-37. (Bible is worn here)
2. Elizabeth Jane, b 4 Aug. 1839; m. 1st George Isbell; came to Texas where Geo. died in 1870-71. Elizabeth Jane m (2nd) to Calvin J. Rollins in Johnson Co., Texas. They later moved to Okla and Calif, where Elizajane died in 1930, age 90 yrs (d. Loomis, Calif.).
3. David Lafayette, b. Dec. 22, 1841 in Benton Co., Ark.; m. Deborah Ann Cates ca. 1863-64; came to Texas 1866; died here in 1897. This is the man whose picture you published in last Flashback with the bearded folks.
4. Robert D., b 15 Mar. 1843; d 13 Mar. 1861 in Benton Co., Ark.
5. Sarah C., b Mar. 1845; d age 18 yrs in Benton Co., Ark.
6. Mary Bell, b Oct. 6, 1848; m. Wm. V. White in Texas; had 3 sons and 5 daus. Lived in Hill Co. and Mary B. & husband are buried there.
7. Marcellus (son), b Dec. 1850; d 12 Oct. 1863, Benton Co., Ark.
8. Carey Mann, b 25 Mar. 1854; d 8 Jan. 1940, Texas. Never married
9. Jonston Butler, b 25 Mar. 1854; m Mary Roye in Texas; d Texas.

My search is for kin of Robert White. Also name of his 2nd wife -- Mary ? and where (county) in Tenn. Robert White lived prior to coming to Benton Co., Ark. ca. 1839.

Robert White was my gr-gr-grandfather, and his son David L. White was my gr-grandfather. In 1850 census of Benton Co., my White family was living in Beatie Twp; in 1860 census they were in Wallace Twp. As you can see, several members of this family died (or were killed) during the Civil War. After the war the children of Robert White came to Texas. So did the Miller family, Isbell family and others, of Benton and Washington Cos., Ark.

In the Cane Hill cemetery, Washington Co., Ark. we found these markers (in 1959):

James S. White, 5-8-1810 -- 2-29-1880
Wife, Jemima (Carnahan), 2-26-1821 -- 7-3-1898
Flora Ann White, 3-15-1851 -- 3-19-1914

Near these White graves were some Mann graves. Any connection?

Ezra Mann, b Aug. 3, 1812 in Penna.; d Jan. 8, 1892, Boonsboro, Ark.
Bernard Mann, 2-88-1827 -- 9-24-1902
Marie Mann, 2-28-1827 -- 4-2-1905
Ida Lee Mann, 3-14-1859 -- 10-28-1905

Since my Robert White named a son Carey Mann - maybe some connection with a Mann family. Also Johnston, or Butler family. I am just trying to learn maiden name of Robert White's 2nd wife, Mary (?).

From a list of people who were trading with Moses Fields, Cherokee, who operated a store on the Indian Territory side of the Main street of Maysville, Ark. 1854-1855: (List is incomplete):

I. Nidiffer, I.C. Thompson, I.L.Thompson, John Denton, Mrs. S. Bell, W. B. Woody, David Pearce, F.H.White, R.H.Miller, R.A.Miller, S. Ward, C. Hayden, Jno. Ballard, Saml. Martin, Bird Keith, Low Harmon, Jno. Langford, Ms.C.Miller, Wm. Thompson, Wm. Hasting, ROBERT WHITE, Stand Watie, JOHN L. WHITE, Wm. Buffington, Wm.I.Howard, M.Walker, etc.

Robert White, his wife Mary, sons James and Marcellus, Dau. Sarah, all buried in Benton Co., Ark. Wallace Twp near Spavinaw. We were unable to locate their graves. May be unmarked, as all died during the war, 1861-65.

Carroll White and family lived Elm Springs Twp 1850-60. He had sons: David, Allen Drury (school teacher), Wilson, John, etc. said to be related to our Whites (Robert).

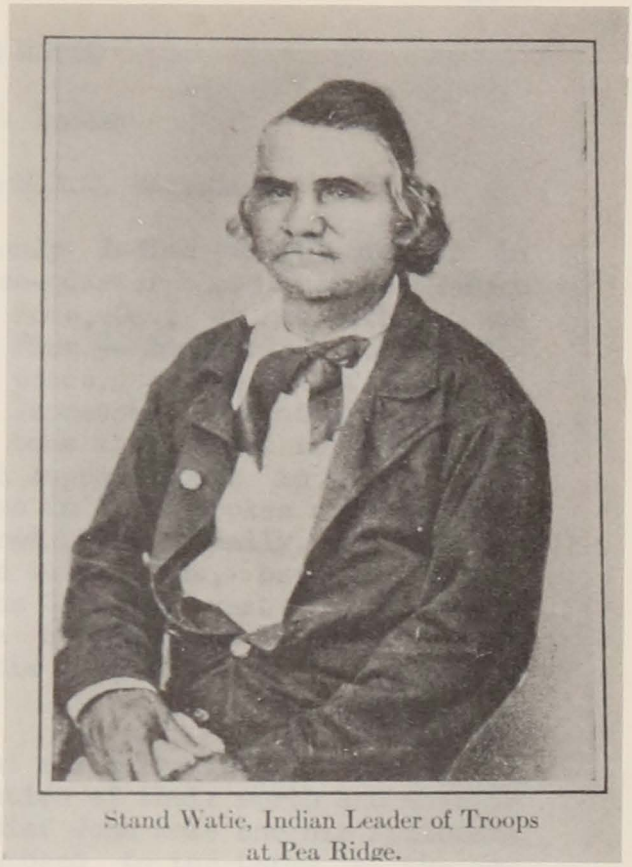
We hope to see you this fall. We are planning to go to our Elliott family reunion in N.C. and want to return by Ark. Since my Elliott, Thompson, White, Cates ancestors lived in northwest Arkansas before the War Between the States, I feel very much at home in that area.

Other pioneers of that area were related to my Warren, Hancock, Saunders, Beaver, Childs, and other ancestors. This is like putting a picture puzzle together -- fitting all these ancestors in the right places, but we enjoy the searching. Perhaps later generations will rise up and call you Blessed for digging out and preserving history of your county and area. I tell every one I meet who had northwest Arkansas ancestors about your wonderful FLASHBACK.

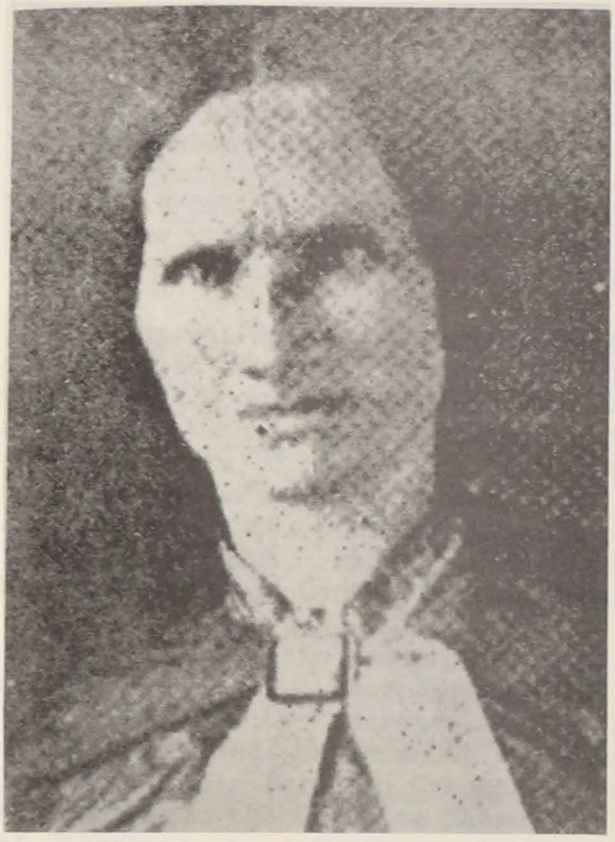
Mrs. C. E. Moore,
557 So. Beach St.,
Fort Worth, Texas

GENERAL
STAND WATIE

born Dec. 17, 1806 in Georgia
died Sept. 9, 1871 in I.T.



Stand Watie, Indian Leader of Troops at Pea Ridge.



SARAH CAROLINE BELL WATIE

Stand Watie's third wife. She was born in the Cherokee Nation, Georgia, in 1820; married Stand Watie in 1843; died 1880.

GENERAL STAND WATIE

by Judge Harry J. Lemley

(First published in the U.D.C. Magazine)

Brigadier General Stand Watie, the only Indian general officer in the Confederate States Army, was a three-quarter blood Cherokee. Born Dec. 12, 1806 near the present site of Rome, Ga., at his birth he was given an Indian name meaning "To Stand Firm -- Immovable", so significant of the life he led in war and in peace. At the age of 12 he was sent to the Brainard Mission School in Tennessee. Thereafter, while he remained in the Nation in Georgia, he took little part in public life (although he was clerk of the National Supreme Court in 1829), until white frontiersmen began pushing to live in the Cherokee country, and particularly so after gold was discovered there. Finally, pressure was brought to bear upon them by the State authorities, backed by President Andrew Jackson, to move all of the Cherokees west; and a treaty was signed Dec. 29, 1835 at New Echota by Cherokees of the so-called Treaty Party, among whom were Stand Watie and other men, largely mixed bloods.

These men believed that it would best serve the interest of the Nation to sell their lands even at a fraction of their worth and move to Indian Territory. However, Principal Chief John Ross and his followers, mostly full-bloods, were bitterly opposed to the terms of the New Echota Treaty, and thus the Nation was split into two factions.

Unfortunately for the leaders of the Treaty Party, the way in which the last of the Cherokees were forced from their homes in Georgia to travel in the midst of suffering and death along wilderness roads to the West -- each road was referred to in history as "The Trail of Tears" -- widened the breach between the two factions. Chief Ross, Stand Watie and many others of the Nation prospered after the removal, with plantations and cattle raising on the rich lands of the Arkansas River region in what is now Oklahoma. Both Ross and Watie owned plantations which they operated with Negro slaves. Notwithstanding their prosperous condition, however, the breach between the two Cherokee factions continued and widened through the years.

When the War Between the States began, Stand Watie and his followers, mostly mixed bloods, embraced the cause of the Confederate States; while Chief Ross and the great majority of the full-bloods held on for a neutral stand in that great conflict. Ross, while at heart in sympathy with the North, prepared to defend his position and organized a regiment, under command of Col, John Drew, early in 1861, to serve as a guard along the Cherokee line bordering Kansas. Stand Watie also raised a regiment, known as the First Cherokee Mounted Rifles, which he offered to the Confederacy and was commissioned its Colonel.

With a part of his command, Colonel Watie participated in the Battle of Wilson's Creek, near Springfield, Mo., a Confederate victory, and there the first Confederate Indian soldier lost his life. In December of 1861, Colonel Watie and his regiment fought a Bird Creek against Opothleyehola's Northern Creeks and a band of Union sympathizers who had come into the Cherokee Nation with the home of inducing the Federal Cherokees to join them. On the march to Bird Creek one of Watie's

scouts was Clem Rogers, the father of the noted Cherokee humorist, Will Rogers. Opothleyehola was defeated and driven into Kansas.

There will be more said about this battle in the sketch of Col. D.N. McIntosh, the leader of the Southern Creeks, who took a prominent part in the series of fights against Opothleyehola.

After these battles and the First Battle of Manassas (Bull Run), Chief Ross, believing that the South would win, signed a treaty with the Confederate States, and both his men, under Colonel Drew, and Col. Stand Watie and his cavalry, fought in the Battle of Pea Ridge, or Elkhorn Tavern, under Generals Albert Pike and Ben McCulloch. Here, Colonel Watie with his cavalry charged and captured a Federal battery; but after Generals McCulloch and James McIntosh were killed and Colonel Hebert and his louisianians were captured, Drew's full-bloods withdrew from the battle and returned home, some joining the Union Indian Brigade. Colonel Watie, on the other hand, joined Gen. Sterling Price and his Missourians and continued to the end of that battle, which has been termed "The Gettysburg of the West."

In her out-of-print book, The Life of General Stand Watie, Mrs.Mable W. Anderson quotes Judge James M. Keys of Pryor, Okla., one of Watie's men, as saying, "I regard Gen. Stand Watie as one of the bravest and capable of men, and the foremost soldier every produced by the North American Indians. He was wise in council and courageous in action. His charge alone at the Battle of Pea Ridge, with his famous First Cherokee Regiment of Cavalry that resulted in the capture of a Federal battery, would forever stamp him as one of the real heroes of that sanguinary affair, as Infantry was usually employed to capture batteries of artillery, and Watie was only a colonel then and fighting outside his own domain."

Colonel Watie fought in many other engagements in Missouri, Arkansas and Indian Territory. Upon occasions he won the praise of Generals Kirby-Smith, S.B.Maxey, R.M.Gano and D.H.Cooper. While not comparable in degree, Watie's raids in Indian Territory, near Fort Smith, Arkansas, and in Missouri were reminiscent of those of Generals Nathan B. Forrest and John H. Morgan (Morgan the Raider).

One of his interesting exploits was the capture of a Federal supply boat on the Arkansas River, the cargo of which contained many needed supplies, including uniforms which were used regardless of their type or color. His most important raid, made after his promotion to brigadier general, resulted in the capture of a Federal supply train of 400 wagons, with 1800 mules and horses (guarded by about 1000 troops) as it approached Fort Gibson. In this action Watie's brigade was aided by Choctaw Troops and General Gano (formerly one of Morgan's Raiders) with a number of Texas cavalrymen. This was termed a $1,000,000 victory" and was the greatest in which the Confederate Indians played a major part during the war. In recognition of this victory, General Watie was officially commended by the Confederate Congress.

General Watie's son, Capt. Saladin Watie, less than 17 when the war began, rode and fought with his father throughout the conflict. He was expected to take his father's place as a leader of the Southern faction of the Cherokees, but died in 1868.

Children of
GENERAL STAND WATIE
and
SARAH BELL WATIE

Top:

CUMISKEY who died
in Texas 1863

Center:

SALADIN who died
in 1868

Above:

MINNEHAHA JOSEPHINE
who died Feb. 27, 1875

Above:

JACQUELINE
who died Mar. 17, 1875

Bottom:

WATICA, who died
at Cane Hill, Ark.,
in 1869.

All of the credit for Stand Watie's record after he became a brigadier general is not due to his Cherokees alone, since his brigade also contained Creek, Seminole and Osage units. According to Thoburn, the Oklahoma historian, Stand Watie was the last Confederate general to surrender, and at Doaksville, June 19, 1865, General Watie and Colonel Peter P. Pitchlynn, for his Choctaws, finally surrendered to the Federals.

The chaplain of Stand Watie's Mounted Rifles was Rev. E.L.Compere, a missionary Baptist minister, whose sons, Brigadier General E.L.Compere Jr. and Honorable Thomas H. Compere, both recently deceased, were friends of the writer for many years.

As stated by Dr.Frank Cunningham in his "General Watie's Confedrate Indians": "Fifteen thousand Confederate Indians were cast adrift with the end of the War Between the States. Disconsolately some of them may have remembered lines from "Cherokee Rose Buds", published by the students of the Female Seminary at Park Hill:

"Like roses bright we hope to grow
And our home such beauty throw
In future years -- that all may see
Loveliest of lands -- The Cherokee."

After the war, General Watie returned to his life as a planter and was also engaged in other enterprises. He died at his home on Honey Creek, Sept. 9, 1871, and is buried in the old Ridge cemetery (Polson) near Southwest City, Mo. The Oklahoma United Daughters of the Confederacy have erected a monument at his grave.

POSTSCRIPT TO "GENERAL STAND WATIE"

by . J. Lemke

Our Society receives occasional queries from Civil War "buffs" about General Stand Watie's activities in northwest Arkansas. Our answer is that the only documented presence of Stand Watie in Benton County was at the battle of Pea Ridge. He was one of the last Confederate commanders to leave the battlefield at Elkhorn on March 8, 1862. He took his Cherokee regiment around the north side of the Ridge and down the old state-line road (now Arkansas Highway 59), He met Gen. Albert Pike and his troops at Cincinnati, in western Washington County. It can be presumed that Watie and Pike took their troops into the Indian Territory either on a road that ran directly west from Cincinnati or an older road (near present-day Westville) that offered a direct route to the Cherokee headquarters at Tahlequah.

Stand Watie's Indians did not take part in the battle of Prairie Grove in our county, on Dec. 7, 1862. He had received orders from Gen. T.C. Hindman to occupay Evansville, in the southern part of Washington County, where there were two mills in operating condition. Watie took possession, just a hundred yards from the Cherokee Line. And waited. He received no further orders and one account states that he did not know that the Confederates had bypassed Cane Hill and were engaged in a battle at Prairie Grove. Hindman's orders specified that Watie was to seize the mills up and down the state line. The Federals had the

mill at Rhea's Mill and operated it both before and after the battle of Prairie Grove. Watie took possession of the mills at Evansville. A more important mill, at Hermannsburg (now Dutch Mills) was destroyed by raiders some time after the battle of Prairie Grove and the boiler was later found in the Cherokee country. The owners of the mill, the Hermanns, had fled north, to St.Louis.

Besides these two war-time appearances of Stand Watie in Washington County, he was a visitor to Cane Hill on several occasions after the war. Well-to-do Cherokees brought their children to Washington County bo be educated. The first pupils in Miss Sawyer's school (the Fayetteville Female Seminary) were Cherokee girls. Other popular schools were Ozark Institute at Mt.Comfort, which had maybe a dozen or more Cherokee boys, and Cane Hill College.

Stand Watie enrolled his two daughters in girls' schools at Berryville and Fort Smith and took his son Watica to Cane Hill. The lad was extremely bright and popular with the Cane Hill townspeople. However, he caught pneumonia in 1869. His parents, General and Mrs. Stand Watie, were at Cane Hill when he died. Watica was their youngest son -- 15.

I have long been an admirer of Stand Watie, not only because of his war record that brought him a commission as Brigadier General from the Confederate States, but because of his devotion to his people. I have visited Park Hill, south of Tahlequah, where he was well known, and have seen his monument on the Square at Tahlequah. I remember that when I first visited the Murrell House at Park Hill, now an Oklahoma historic shrine, I wondered why this imposing house had escaped the destruction of the Civil War, when the homes of Chief John Ross and his brother Lewis were burned down. Stand Watie had many opportunities to destroy the Murrell House but he spared it. Murrell himself spent much of his time in New Orleans and the chances are that he was a good friend of Watie.

I have visited many of the old cemeteries around Park Hill and Tahlequah -- tombstones with Cherokee letters. Also, I have uncovered and saluted at the grave of General Watie in the Polson cemetery west of Maysville, Ark., where the U.D.C. has erected a handsome monument. Many of Stand Watie's kinfolks are there, including the Ridges and the Washbournes.

Sometimes I speculate on the chance that enabled Stand Watie to escape the wholesale slaughter of the Cherokee Treaty Party leaders -- Major Ridge, John Ridge, E.C.Boudinot - in June 1839. There is little doubt but that the assassins were eager to kill Waitie too. But he escaped and lived long enough to lead his First Cherokee Regiment in the thrilling Civil War battles described by Judge Lemley.

INVITATIONS

Our Society was invited to attend Deed Day at Arkansas Post State Park on June 23 when Governor Faubus presented the deeds to the National Park Service. Invitation came from W.B.Norsworthy, secretary of the Grand Prairie Historical Society. We also received an invitation to the Lawrence County Heritage Festival, held at Lynn, Ark. in August.

HISTORY OF THE BEATY FAMILY

by Burlene Hilton, Lincoln, Ark.

History reveals the Beatys are of Scotch-Irish descent, having come from Ulster, Ireland in the early 1700s and spread throughout the colonies. The original spelling of the name was Beadtach (Bea-a-ta) but it might be spelled Beattie, Beatty, Batey, Beytagh,or Beaty, the Name spplied to the branch recorded here.

The Beaty family, some of whose descendants live in the Arkansas and Oklahoma area, came from Clinton Co., Kentucky about 1829. Their fath0 er, Alexander I, came from Abingdon, Washington Co., Virginia, to Kentucky in 1799, with several brothers. Four brothers, Andrew, James, Martin and William, all settled in the same area but William later went to Missouri and Martin to Wayne Co., Kentucky, where he served as State Senator in 1827-1832.

There were several other brothers but their names are unknown. Alexander Beaty I sold his interest in the farm in Virginia to two brothers for $600, so one brother might have stayed on, since there is still a Wm. Beaty living on the old farm in Virginia.

In an application for a pension for having served in the Revolutionary War in 1777-1779 Andrew Beaty states he came from Pennsylvania to Virginia. The application is witnessed by his brother Alexander.

Alexander Beaty I married Katherine Travis and to them were born ten sons and one daughter: Thomas P., born Dec. 22, 1802, married Nancy Odle; Abner, born May 17, 1803, married Sarah Huff Aug. 19, 1826; William, believed to have been born 1805; Alexander,born 1806, married Emily Holt; Miles, born 1815, never married; Pleasant B., born 1817, married Amanda Evans; Allen, born 1823, married Emily Crockett; Jehu, born 1820, married Sallie Jones; James; and the daughter,name unknown.

It was from an old letter found in a truck of Odle Beaty's of Summers, Ark. from Jehu to his sister-in-law, Nancy Odle Beaty, that led to the discovery of Jehu's descendants, many of whom are still living in Albany, Clinton Co., Kentucky. From them comes some of this early history. The following is a copy of the letter:

(Copy of letter written by Jehu Beaty Oct. 3, 1854
Albany, Clinton Co., Kentucky, to Nancy Odle Beaty,
wife of Thomas P. Beaty.)

State of Kentucky

Dere Sister -- I have opportunity to right you -- we are all well at this time except our children. There is more sickness in the county than ever was none (known) flux and fever, there has bin an might drouth in the country. Mother is well at this time. James Beaty has quit all his bad doings. Him and wife has joined thee babtist church. There is a grate revival in religion. Now about something else. I want you to right to me all about that country there. I have a nochion to come to that country. You go to Allen Beaty - something about (must be will) in thee don't please Allen and miself. Filed will in chancery court. It will be sold at hist (highest) bidder and the money will be put on interest when a decree is got to sell it. I want you to let

Alexander see this letter. If Alexander don't come to this country I want him to right to me whether to come to that country in the spring or fall next. If not come to this country, what sort of stock to take to that country. Want to know something about crops, what corn is worth in that country. If Alexander don't come to this country, want to know what sort of stock he wants and will take it to him either in the spring or fall. If I think best.

Want Alexander to right to me whether to come by water or land. Wheat is worth one dollar per bushel, corn is 50 cents per bushel. Good horses worth one hundred dollars, mule colts is worth from 35 dollars to 45 dollars. Alexander not that because agoing to move to thee....in the spring. If moving I want you to right me what about going, if not ? possible. I would be mighty glad to get nabor to you if possible. I got a letter from brother William Beaty a few days ago. He wrote me I better come his country. I am afraid to go to his county on account of ague and fever. A grate deal of talk, people moving to new places next fall and some in the spring. Alexander I want you back me, please. Mother wants to see you all, getting very frail. She pase her best respects to you all. Mother wants (probably to know) to you all doing and your childrens names. Times is mighty hard in country - corn crops is very.....in the country. So no more to say, this 3 October 1854.

JEHU BEATY

Thomas P. Beaty is listed in the 1829 sheriff's census of Washington Co., Arkansas. He settled on the south edge of Cincinnati valley on the old Cincinnati-Cane Hill road, at the foot of the mountain that was to become known as Beaty Mountain. His house, a large log house, stood southeast of the present little family cemetery on the Gilbreath farm. In the obscure cemetery lies the dust of Thomas P., his wife Nancy Odle, three sons, Oliver (Ollie), Horton P. (Tump), Travis L., and a grandson Joe, son of William J. Beaty. At tone time there were other graves but time leaves no trace of them. Thomas P. Beaty died Oct. 1847, age 45.

Thoms P. and his wife, Nancy Odle, born April 22, 1812, and their seven children played an important part in the development of their community and the county. The children owned a large acreage in the same area where the parents settled. A tax receipt of Thomas, dated 1839, is still in the hands of his grandson, J. Odle Beaty.

Thomas P. and Nancy's first child was Alvin C., known later as Capt. Alvin. He was born June 3, 1833 and married Annie West, born April 15, 1843. They owned farm land near his father until about 1877. Here several children were born: Thomas, July 2, 1867; Sallie, Mar.28, 1869; George, June 13, 1871; Wallie, Feb. 14, 1874; Mary, April 23, 1877. Then they moved to a farm near Audubon, Texas, where Hattie was born May 7, 1879; Annie, Feb. 20, 1881; Nannie Feb. 20, 1881 (twins); and Ollie, Sept. 13, 1887.

At the beginning of the Civil War, Alvin organized a volunteer company and joined Gen. Stand Watie's command of the Southern Army at Fort Gibson, I.T. and he became Captain. His younger brothers, William J., Ollie, and Travis L. ("Bud") and a friend, Polk Crozier, served under him. It is told that William was good at stirring up trouble to cause the others to fight when they didn't particularly want to, so Capt. Alvin and the others were kept busy keepin him in line of duty.

BEATY SCHOOL 1909 — Mr. Clark, teacher

Top row: Viola Jenkins, Bessie Rich, Etta Cushing, Ida Rich, Alma Rich, May England, Garvin Collins, Irvin Rich, Ed Rich, Virgil Cushing, Earl Cheatham, Miriam Ogden.

Second row: Loyd Yeager, Addie Sink, Ruth Findley, Ruth Beaty, Luna Rich, Jewelle Sink, Pearl Yeager, Vada Jenkins, Susan Yeager, Jewel Yeager, Ruth Yeager, Hazel Heager, Dessie Rich, Della Beaty.

Bottom row: Fayette Collins, Earl Collins, Ola Rich, Troy Cushing, Lester Rich, Ralph Ogden, John Jenkins, Sam Cushing, Buford Yeager, Sam Collins, Hugh Pratt, Wade Cheatham.

William Jasper, second son of Thomas P. Beaty, was born 1835 and died Aug. 14, 1912, somewhere in Texas. He married Mary Ann Brookshiner while living in Arkansas. Their first child, a son Joe, was born Jan. 18, 1875, died July 28, 1877, and is buried in the family cemetery mentioned before. Soon after this, William Jasper moved to Coryell Co., Texas. He served in Company E, First Battalion, Arkansas Confederate Cavalry in 1861.

Other children of William J. were Z.T., born 1875, died Feb. 1930; Margaret Catherine, born 1878, died 1958; Sarah Ann, born 1886, died 1958; William Walker, born 1883, still living in Weatherford, Tex. and who supplied some of this data; Mary London, born 1887, still living. As far as can be learned from letters from William J. written from Texas in 1881, he was in business and freighting service in Turnersville, Texas.

Horton P. ("Tump") Beaty, third son of Thomas P., was born 1838. He was killed by Pin Indians under Zeke Proctor's command in 1863, at the age of 25. His sister Catherine stood one member of the group off with a butcher knife, at her door, telling him if he came any nearer she would slit his throat.

Catherine, fourth child of ThomasP. was born 1840. She married Zebulon Pettigrew in 1875 and they made their home in Fayetteville, Ark. Mr.Pettigrew was born 1818 and died 1900. Catherine died Aug. 8, 1908, and both are buried in Evergreen Cemetery in Fayetteville. Mr.Pettigrew was County Sheriff for several years and was serving in 1873 at the time of their marriage. Catherine kept a boarding house for many years.

Travis L. ("Bud") Beaty, fourth son of Thomas P., was born July 22, 1842 and died Dec. 8, 1880. He lived with his mother until her death in 1873. He married Martha R. Burkett Sept. 6, 1875. Martha was born Dec. 24, 1845 and died April 23, 1922.

Before his marriage he served in the Civil War under his brother, Capt. Alvin. While he and his friend, Polk Crozier, were on their way to Huntsville, Ark. to have their horses shod, they were taken prisoner and kept until the end of the war 1866. Release papers from the prison are still in the hands of his son, J. Odle Beaty. They are signed by Frank Grop, Bureau RFWS 20 Regt, 22nd. Other wording is not legible. On the back of the release are ration orders for several days, a time signed by different parties. He developed "consumption" while in prison camp and was never very strong afterward.

In 1873 he served as County Deputy Sheriff, receiving his commission on Jan. 22, 1873 (commission still in the hands of his son, J.Odle Beaty) from Z. M. Pettigrew, County Sheriff. He carried money from stores where there were no banks into Fayetteville for banking. One receipt still available is for carrying one package of currency for J. M. Candler to the Banking House in Fayetteville, receipt signed by W. H. Etter, 1873.

He was accepted into the Cincinnati Masonic Lodge Nov.5, 1877,signed by N.J.Black, sec. He and his brother William J were also in business in Fayetteville a short time in 1873, probably a livery stable known as "Beaty Brothers." One ledger entry dated 1873 "To Hack Hire" one day $4 to Dr. D. Stark. Also there were entries for horse feed.

Travis L. and Martha lived just north of Summers when their first child, J. Odle, was born June 20, 1876. Some time later they, with his brothers, moved to Turnersville, Texas where they operated a store and freighting service. Here another child, a daughter Dove, was born 1878. Due to Travis' ill health they moved to Eureka Springs, Ark., having heard about the healing spring water there, but his health grew worse and in a short time they returned to his old home near Summers, Ark. where he died in 1880.

His son, J. Odle, then bought land south of Ballard creek on the present Highway 59, in 1895 (known as Beaty Prairie) and lived there with his mother until her death in 1922. He then married Gaddie Greene daughter of Judge H. P. Greene of Prairie Grove, Ark. Their children are John O. and Martha Jane. J.Odle's sister Dove married James English; their children are Travis of Dallas, Texas and James of Little Rock, Ark.

Oliver P. Beaty, sixth child of Thomas P., was born Dec. 1844. He was known as "Ollie" and he never married. He owned land near his father's on what is part of the present Gilbreath farm. He went to Texas with his brothers for a time but was here when he died in 1896 and is buried in Beaty cemetery. He served with his brothers in the Civil War.

Sarah E., seventh child of Thomas P., was born Dec. 1847, the same year her father died. She married Ewen M. Little, born 1843. He died in 1903 and Sarah died Sept. 6, 1934. They made their home about three miles south of Summers, Ark., and lived there all their married lives. Their children were Thomas, Kate, Nancy and Ross. Both Sarah and Ewen are buried in Ganderville cemetery near Summers.

Alexander Beaty was born in Clinton Co., Kentucky in 1806. It is believed he came to Arkansas at the same time his brother, Thomas P., came. He served in the Indian War in Florida some time about 1836 and in the Mexican War 1847-48. He married Emily Holt, daughter of Jack and Elizabeth Pogue Holt, who was born 1818. They were married about 1837. Their first child, Sarah Jane, was born in 1838. She married John Elms, son of Jonathan Elms, a teacher in the first school in the area which was established on the Beaty farm. Sarah Jane died 1855.

Alexander's second child, Samuel, was born 1841. He served in the Civil War on the Union side. He was one of the earliest railroad conductors, traveling from Westville, Okla., to Kansas City, Mo. He died in 1920 at the age of 79, single.

Alexander's third child, Catherine, died young and single. Alexander's fourth child, Mary, married George Guthrie. They went to a community in Oklahoma which later bore their name. They had eight children: Jennie, William, Sarah, Clara, Benjamin, Pearl and John. Many of their descendants live in the Guthrie and Oklahoma City area.

Alexander's fifth child was Francis Marion ("Frank"(, born Nov. 8, 1846. He married Mary Jane Vawter in 1866. She was born 1849 and died in 1905. They settled near his father and lived there the rest of their lives. Frank ran away from home at the age of 17 to join the Union Army. He saw most of his active service in southern Missouri. Although his father and all his cousins were on the Southern side, he chose the Union as did his brother Sam. He was a strong Republican all his life but ready to support a good cause any time.

Frank's children numbered twelve - Samuel who married Fanny Frazier; Ada married J.T.Elms; Ella married Dave Cushing; Deborah married William Holt; Dee married Frank Miller; Delpha died young; Annie married Henry McClure; Inez married Fred Norwood; Frederick died young; Edna married A. Ed Brown (my parents); Willie first married Benjamin Howard, second marriage to Fred Norwood after the death of Inez; Francis Marion died 1934; Ida married John Snodgrass.

Alexander Beaty's sixth child was Alvin, born 1849. He married Ella Wrightsman, daughter of Jack W. and Emily E. Truesdale Wrightsman. Ella's mother was an early teacher in Cane Hill College and Ella was a student there. The Truesdale family lived in Cane Hill and one member married a Cane Hill McClellan.

Alvin served as County Deputy Sheriff for 17 years, for the west end of Washington County, and at a time when Zeke Proctor was causing trouble -- so he spent some time and effort in trying to bring about a peace treaty between Zeke and the law. Alvin and Ella made their home on his father's homestead and took care of "Grandma" Emily until her death in 1902.

Alvin and Ella had thirteen children: Anna Parker, born March 1877, married Earl Holt; Zeke, born 1878, married Myrtle Hembree; Lemuel E., born 1881, married Nelle Steele; Frank W., born 1883; William G., born 1885, married Hallie Heishman; Samuel G., born 1887; James A., born 1889, married Gladys Parker; Hagen R., born 1893, married Nora Mills (Hagen died overseas 1918, World War I); Charles E., born 18 ?, married Rulo Spagus; Alvin Floyd, born 1890 ?, married Cora Lewis; Ruth M., born 1898, married Powell King; Della S., born 1903, married John Shannon; Hazel, born 1901, died young.

Alexander's seventh child, William Alexander, was born 1855 and died in December 1961 at the ripe old age of 106½ years. William A., known to relatives and friends as "Uncle Bill", helped to preserve much history, as he had a remarkable memory. He married Mondella Stoner in Oklahoma in 1895 and they had four children: Travis, Merle, Mildred and Frank.

The first combination school and church was established on the Alexander Beaty farm. There was also a Methodist camp shed near the church where revivals were held. Circuit-riding preachers were always welcomed in the Beaty home and the family was widely known for its hospitality. One preacher named Pylant became ill and died there and is said to have been the second person buried in Beaty cemetery. The land for the cemetery was given by Alexander but later part of it was found to be on Peter Ozbun's land, so both were contributors. All of Alexander Beaty's family are buried there except Sarah and "Uncle Bill" who is buried in Lincoln cemetery.

The first post office in the area was established in Alexander's home, 1877, with Emily as first postmistress. It was called Mt. Hayes. It was discontinued in 1879 and established in what was to become the town of Lincoln. As can be seen from this account, the hearts and lives of Alexander and Emily Beaty were dedicated to the making of a better community and always for progress.

TWO OLD WASHINGTON COUNTY FAMILIES

Reproduced on the facing page are two fine old photographs of pioneer Washington County families.

The picture of the Simpson family was taken at the Simpson spring, which we have been told was near the headwaters of Fly Creek in the western part of the county.

We have been unable to locate the site of the Burwell Cox log home, but it was also in the western part of the county, probably in the Cove Creek neighborhood. Burwell Cox and his family moved to Texas, which makes it difficult to obtain authentic information about their earlier Arkansas home in Washington County.

However, both the Simpsons and the Coxes were among the very early settlers of Washington County, the Simpsons in 1827 and the Cox family a few years later.

In the Simpson picture, on facing page, are: Bob Simpson, age 35; his wife Annie (Dold) Simpson, age 34; and their children: Marvin T. Simpson 6, Louis D. Simpson 8, and Clara E. Simpson 14.

In the Cox picture are left to right: Burwell Cox, born 18 Sept. 1819 near Bowling Green, Ky.; died 9 April 1898 and buried near Randolph, Fannin Co., Tex. He married 17 Sept. 1844 Elizabeth Lindsey and married 8 Nov. 1866 Sarah Hannah Buchanan Gray, shown on the picture. Sarah Hannah Buchanan Gray Cox was born 17 Feb. 1838 and died 24 Mar., 1923 and is buried in Fannin Co., Tex. Also on the picture, left to right, are Earl McClure, a grandson born 1890, died 1958; a daughter, Martha Cox, born 1845, died 1933; a grandson George McClure, born 1894, died 1957; and a daughter, Belle Cox, born 1881; d. 1951. All of the Coxes are buried in Randolph, Fannin Co., Texas.

The Simpson family photo was loaned to us by Mrs. Clara E. Kendrick, Nowata, Okla. She appears, at age 14, on the picture. The Cox photo was loaned to us by Miss Mary Cox, Sanderson, Texas.

We have in preparation, both a history of the pioneer Simpson family and the Cox family. The pictures on the facing page are merely teasers, because they are only two of a hundred or more old photos that Mrs. Kendrick and Miss Cox have dug up on their recent visits to Washington County.

I'm a great admirer of descendants of the pioneer families who have never forgotten their heritage. Mary Cox of Sanderson, Texas, and Clara E. Kendrick of Nowata, Okla., are tops in my book. "Miss Mary" and "Miss Clara" have visited our WCHS office a number of times, and it's always good to see them.

W. J. Lemke, editor

The BOB SIMPSON FAMILY

(Photo courtesy Clara E. Kendrick)

The BURWELL COX FAMILY

(Photo courtesy Mary Cox)

LETTERS FROM READERS

Can you tell me what newspapers were published in Washington County from about 1880 to 1890 and served the Dutch Mills, Sugar Hill, and Summers area? Where can I locate a history of the Sugar Hill area?

Mrs. T. E. Gray, Elmwood, Oklahoma

I enclose two checks, one for $3 for which I wish you woul d send me the Index to the first 13 Volumes of Flashback; the other for $5 for which I wish you would send me Mrs. Woo's book on the 1850 census of Washington Co., Ark.

Troy Smith,
Citizens First Natl Bank Bldg., Tyler,Tex.

Enjoyed the latest copy of FLASHBACK and see that my friend Lemke is still feuding with the industrial boys because they aren't history-minded. Tell him to keep his powder dry. We visited Fayetteville just a year ago but won't be there this summer. Much luck and carry on the good work, all you dedicated people!

Hildy Crawford, Society Editor,
Palm Springs LIFE,
Palm Springs, California

I am not directly interested in Abel or John Arrington, but there is so much tradition handed down that Alfred and Ethelbert Arrington were brothers that I would like to settle the question if possible. Either Ethelbert left Franklin Co., Ark. during the war years or was killed. But it is strange that his children were not listed in the 1870 census of Franklin Co.but have returned by 1880. What would you make of that? I believe if Abel was still alive at that time, or even if he wasn't, that Ethelbert may have gone to Missouri during those years. And again he may have joined Stephen Strickland and/or Joel Arrington in Titus Co., Tex. There are many Joel Arringtons but this young one in Titus Co., Texas, could be the young Joel of Morgan Co., Ill. -- for the Stricklands, Combs, Arringtons, Conners and Piersons all went to Washington Co., Ark. from Fulton Co., Ill. Ethelbert Arrington settled in Washington Co. and Levi Combs and Wm. Pierson the elder were next-door neighbors.

Mrs. M. B. Biggerstaff,
4716 N. Miller, Oklahoma City 12, Okla.

Before it is too late, I want to thank all of you for your efforts in getting the Arkansas Family Historian started and the issues which came out regularly. I found it interesting and helpful. And it did help me locate a family Bible from Yell County which ended up in Idaho in the hands of some step-children descendants.

Mrs. Otis S. Duran,
801 South Third, McAlester, Oklahoma

Just want to tell you how much I have enjoyed the Arkansas Family Historian. It is one of the best publications I have seen. The photographs really add to the bulletin. I joined the Arkansas Genealogical Society in the interest of learning more about these two men, Marville Mattison Olive and Richard (Dick) McHenry. I feel that I am making some progress and I really love the Arkansas Family Historian.

Mrs. Chas. C. Cartwright,
117 West Bay Ave., Norfolk, Virginia

Please hold a copy of the 1850 census of Washington Co. for me. Mrs. Wilson and I will be in the WCHS office July 10 to get the book, since we want it to use on a trip to Kentucky and Virginia, to trace back the Wilson family. Can you tell me what records may be available at these two places: Logan Co., Ky. (Russellville, county seat) and Rockbridge Co., Va. (Lexington, county seat).

Wm. That Wilson,
1750 W. Ocean, Sp.113, LaHabra, Calif.

Thanks a lot for the King information in Washington Co. cemeteries. I am going to write to Hugh Park of VanBuren, Ark. to see if I can get a copy of Madison Co. as published in Goodspeed. If I cannot get it, I will contact you again.

Mrs. Dale F. King,
Route 4, Box 135, Opelika, Alabama

This is to inquire if you have record of the grave of a Confederate soldier (our gr-grandfather) who fought, we believe, at the battle of Pea Ridge. He wrote his wife in Pulaski Co. just before the battle and was never heard from again. His name was John Vincent. We don't know what outfit he was in, but his brother was living near him in Mo. and was a soldier in Co. G, 10th Mo. Inftry CSA. We understand many bodies were gathered after the battle and were put to rest in Fayetteville in a special plot. Can you help us?

Don Vincent,
1200 Boylston, Apt. 403, Seattle, Wash.

Our Sevier Co. book (1850 census) is finished and we already have a number of orders. If this publication sells well, Mrs.Glazner and I plan to do another county, perhaps Hempstead. Inez Cline tells me that this year's issue of the Garland County Historical Society's publication, "The Record" runs to 175 pages, exclusive of some 14 picture pages! How's that for a record?

Mrs. Bobbie McLane,
112 Leach St., Hot Springs, Ark.

I wrote to Mrs.Ruth Roberts, probate clerk, for the will of Thomas J Whited and she referred me to the WCHS. I have the will of Jonathan Newman and the marriage license of his second wife, Matilda Bell. Jonathan Newman was judge in Fayetteville from 1840 to 1862. Surely there must be something some place telling about his parents.

Mrs. Betty Howard,
1432 Murphy Lane, Salt Lake City, Utah

(Editor's note: There is no Whited will recorded in Washington County. As for Judge Newman, there are numerous documents bearing his signature but no record of his parents. -- WJL)

I am very anxious to get two copies of your bulletin, "The Mecklin Letters", published in 1955. Robert L. Mecklin was my gr-great-uncle. My grandfather, Rev. A.H.Mecklin of French Camp, Miss., was his brother. I feel that all the Mecklin descendants would be interested in his letters which you have printed.

Mrs. Leroy Donald,
8405 Winzenburg Drive, St.Louis, Mo.

(The secretary has a few copies of "The Mecklin Letters" for sale at $2 each.)

FROM OUR READERS

Still looking for Martin Randleman, Revolutionary soldier supposedly buried in Washington Co., Ark. He paid taxes in Livingston Co., Ky. in 1800. In 1805 he signed power of attorney to sell the property because he had moved to Ill. A son, Michael Randleman, was born Apr. 28, 1803 in Ill. Martin had a daughter Mary (Polly) b. 1800-02, who married D. Reece and is listed 1850 census of Washington Co., Ark. Census shows David Reece 57 and wife Mary 48, both born in Ky. Living in their home were Leander Robison 15, born Ill., and Sarah Venible 13, born Texas. Who were these children?

Billie Snead Webb,
2372 Brussells, North Bend, Oregon

Please send me information about my ancestors. William Bradshaw born Jan. 16, 1839; died Feb. 2, 1928. He was a Colonel in the 16th Mo. Artillery, captured at Pea Ridge. Also need William H. Scott, born Dec. 28, 1840; died June 26, 1920; served in Co.G, 11th Mo. Cavalry. Both were in the Northern army.

John D. Strange,
2904 So. Joplin, Tulsa 14, Okla.

Mrs. Susan Swinburn found an account of the marriage of Mrs. Elizabeth Hardin to Wm. Johnson, by James G. Stevenson (her brother). Wm. have decided that Elizabeth was a Stevenson and not a Reed. If she were a Reed, she would have been mentioned in George Reed's will. Rev. W. W. Stevenson in listing the family of his father James G. Stevenson lists a girl born 1800 but calls her Jinsey Lindsey, which could bea nickname for Elizabeth Jeannette.So we keep finding interesting history.

Rev. T. J. Garner,
Route 1, Van Buren, Ark.

I have been trying to locate some of the descendants of the Friend family who left Kentucky in the 1800s and moved to Missouri or other points in the West. Any names of Friends or Hatfields living in your area, will be appreciated.

Clarence Friend,
Route 5, Hodgenville, Ky.

I am anxious to acquire information regarding the Cato family of Fayetteville. My gr-grandfather, Jacob R. Cato, born in Tenn. 1826; died in Fayetteville (or Cato Springs) on May 1, 1910. He was married to Luticia (maiden name unknown). My grandfather, James Finn Cato, born March 11, 1851 in Fayetteville, died in Beaumont,Texas on Dec.31, 1929. He was married to a Kittie (America) Barnett in Fayetteville. She was born March 16, 1862 (?) in Breathitt Co., Ky., and died in Texas, date and place unknown.

Robert L. Cato,
312 A St., S.E., Washington, D.C.

I was happy to learn that my Stone family had a graveyard at Habberton. The Stone home and birthplace of my grandmother, Melissa Stone Byas, was a mile and a half south of Sonora. My grandmother was born 1861 in Ark. My grandparents were Joseph Stone, born 1825, died 1850, buried at Habberton, Ark. and Jane Hash Stone, also buried at Habberton. I do not have her birth or death dates.

Nora L. Sharlow,
408 Sequoia, Monteca, California

Would you please tell me if there is a historical society in Benton County, Ark. I had a great-grandfather (Christopher Harrison) who was killed near Rogers, Ark. in 1888 and I would like to find out more concerning his death. I have written to a number of places but haven't been able to find any help.

Mrs. Ruth (Harrison) Hunt,
Box 123, Imbler, Oregon

I'm always happy to get any information on any of the old settlers of Washington County and am interested beyond words in the Shannon-Fisher feud. With all good wishes to you and your co-workers.

Mrs. Raymond Teller,
208 Bird St., San Angelo, Texas

I am seeking data on the Shumate and Bledsoe families of northwest Arkansas and Stone & Taney Cos., Mo. I have been told that in one number of your Flashback there was quite a lot of information on the Shumate family. I would pay $25 to learn the parents of my husband's grandfather, Isaac Newton Bledsoe and the county in Tenn. he came from. His wife was a Sarah Ann Shumate. She was either a daughter or granddaughter of a Daniel Shumate who was living in her home in 1860 census. Isaac Bledsoe was a Confederate soldier.

Mrs. Carl Bledsoe, Aroya, Colorado

Can you give me any information on the old "Trigger Holler" or"Trigger Gap" road -- the first road between Fayetteville and Springfield, Mo., an early-day freight route mainly. It is supposed to have passed through Huntsville, turned east at Forum on Highway 23 now, through Trigger Gap, bearing westward and north to present Missouri 13, intersecting the then old Wilderness Road in the vicinity of Reed Springs.

Steele T. Kennedy, EurekaSprings, Ark.

In answer to a Kimbrough query, we refer our reader to the Kimbro-Kimbrough Genealogical Association, which publishes the Kimbro-Kimbrough Genealogical Quarterly. President of the Association is Felix A. Kimbrough, 415 S.W. 33, Oklahoma City, Okla. (He is a long-time member of our WCHS anda native of Washington Co.) Editor of the Kimbrough Quarterly is Mrs. F.A.Bryant, PO Box 691, Bay Minette, Alabama. If you write for a sample copy of the Kimbrough Quarterly, be sure to enclose a dollar bill.

Fred W. Rohrbough has sent us for review a copy of his history of the Rohrbough family, including such affiliated families as the Vares, Williams, Hurleys, Reids, Sadlers, Skinners and others. The book is well indexed, contains many family pictures, and is bound in buckram. Price is $7.50. Order from Fred W.Rohrbough, Claiborne Towers Apt.1525, 1700 Canal St., New Orleans, La.

T.H.Owen, 316 N. Custer, Colorado Springs, Colo. announces the publication of an "Index, with Lineage Charts, to Ancestral Roots of Sixty Colonists" by Frederick Lewis Weis, published 1950." Publication date is August and the price is $12.50

The next booklet in our WCHS booklet series will be "Sixty Years of Methodism in Winslow, Arkansas - 1903-1963", written by Lyda Winn Pace. Mrs. Pace has been unable to find a photo of the Winslow Methodist Church, and if any of our readers know where such a photo can be secured, please write to us or to Mrs.Pace at Winslow.

I need information about any of the following people who lived in the Sugar Hill, Summers and Dutch Mill area of Washington County. Charles Wesley Hayes, b.Oct.5, 1836 where? d. Mar.6, 1910 Dutch Mills. Need names of his parents. He married 1st to Kate Wagoner (need birth, marriage and death dates). They had 2 children, need names. He married 2nd to Sarah Walker (my great-grandmother) around Lincoln or SugarHill, Ark. They had 9 children: Eliza Jane, Rhoda, John, Joe, George, Lily Belle (my grandmother). Lily Belle was b. June 1, 1880; d.Apr.13, 1951, Stilwell, Okla. She married 1st Isaac Hayes and 2nd Franklin Reed Mitchell (my grandfather) on Sept.13, 1900 in Washington Co., Ark.

Charles Wesley Hayes married his 3rd wife Apr. 16, 1897. She was widow B.E.Devine and they lived at Dutch Mills.

Mrs. T. E. Gray, Elmwood, Okla. 73935

As a native of Washington Co. and a granddaughter of Hugh and Anne Gray Simpson, I am interested in securing a copy of the July 1963 number of your Flashback.

Eloise Guilliams,
447 Kenwood Ave., Baton Rouge, La.

(Out of print and no copy obtainable.)

Am sorry the historical society had to give up its genealogical work. I have always been interested in 19th century families and their way of life. I am workingon my family now but I find it more difficult than Civil War history. Mrs. Castle and I visited Brownsville, Texas where the 94th Illinois was stationed for about nine months. We have now been to every place where the 94th served with the exception of Mobile. Prairie Grove and Fayetteville are my favorite places, so I'll be back there one of these days.

Drew W. Castle,
11 So.Eastern Ave., Joliet, Ill.

Mrs. R.P.Woods, 1201 Arcadia, Austin, Texas, who published the 1850 census for Washington County, Ark., announces two new publications -- "The Hood County, Texas, US Census of 1880", including "Marriage Records 1875-1885" and the "Mortality Schedules of Texas for 1860." Price of the Hood County Census is $5 until Nov. 1, 1964; after that date $8. The Mortality Schedules, which contain a tremendous amount of genealogical material, are $1 per report. When ordering, name the Texas counties in which you are interested.

A MECKLIN NOTE

After 35 years of trying to find out something about the Rev. Robert W. Mecklin who operated the Ozark Institute at Mt.Comfort from 1842 to 1872, it was a real surprise to receive a letter from a Mecklin descendant, Mrs. Leroy Donald of St.Louis, Mo. Her grandfather was a brother of Robert W. Mecklin. Mrs.Donald has purchased two copies of our 1953 publication, "The Mecklin Letters." We still do not know when Robert Mecklin died and where he is buried. Old-timers say he was burried on the campus of Ozark Institute (now the Razorback Golf Course) and that his remains were later re-interred in the Mt.Comfort cemetery. We have no proof.

At any rate, Robert W. Mecklin deserves a large share of the credit for Washington County's educational reputation that helped locate the state university in Fayetteville in 1871. It was the end of Mecklin's school at Mt. Comfort but the beginning of a great state university at Fayetteville.

HELP ON RECORDS OF MILITARY ANCESTORS

You can get some extra good help from the National Archives, Washington, D.C. in completing the history of your ancestors who may have served in certain branches of the armed forces. Records are available for those who are listed in any one of the following classifications:

U.S Pension Claims based on service before World War I
U.S. Bounty Land Claims for service before 1856
U.S. Military Service performed after 1776 and before 1885
Confederate Military Service

The first step in using this service is to write for a copy of the free blank form NAR 288. This should be filled out with as much detail as possible for the veteran whose record you want. A separate form is needed for each record wanted. Enclose a check or money order for $1 for each. The address is:

General Services Administration,
National Archives and Records Service,
The National Archives Building,
Washington 25, D.C.

These records of course deal with a man's military service, and so they rarely contain family information. However, it is possible to verify the military phases, and there may be valuable incidental facts of location, age, next of kin, and dates.

For example, my request for information about my grandfather brought seven photocopy pages that detailed his enlistment, honorable discharge, marriage, names of children, pension claim, age, date of death and place of burial. These facts would be highly valuable if they were not already at hand; and a rare lot of information for a dollar.

-- Deane G. Carter

THE WALKER FAMILY ALBUM

Our Society has in production a booklet called "The Walker Family Alum"" containing reproductions of some 50 photographs and daugerreotypes of the descendants of Judge David Walker who came toFayetteville in 1830. The pictures are of his children, grandchildren, and later descendants. There are also pictures of the three Walker homes in Fayetteville and of the family cemetery on East Mountain.

We are printing only 200 copies of "The Walker Family Album". The price is $3. Our earlier Walker publications -- "The Walker Family Letters" and "Judge David Walker: His Life and Letters" which we sold at $2 each, are now being quoted by rare book dealers at $10. So we suggest that any of our members who want a copy of "The Walker Family Album" make a reservation by sending order and check to our secretary, Deane G. Carter, Box 237, Fayetteville, Ark.

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Our Society has received the Achievement Award of the U.S. Civil War Centennial Commission. The certificate, signed by Allan Nevins, noted historian and national chairman, reads as follows:

The Civil War Centennial Commission
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This Document Recognizes the Outstanding Achievement of
the Washington County Historical Society
in furthering the objectives of the
Civil War Centennial

Washington, D.C., August 12, 1964.

An accompanying letter, signed by James I. Robertson, Jr., Executive Director, reads as follows:

The Civil War Centennial Commission is pleased to present the enclosed Award of Achievement to the Washington County Historical Society. The Award is conferred on the Society for its excellent and numerous activities in furtherance of the observance of the Centennial of the Civil War, notably those in the field of scholarly research and publication, as exemplified by the informative articles in the Society's quarterly publication and the reprinting of Joe Scott's Four Years of Service in the Southern Army. In recognition of these splendid contributions by the Washington County Historical Society, the Civil War Centennial Commission extends its warm commendation.

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INDEX TO FLASHBACK: 1964

This is Volume 14, Numbers as follows: Jan, No 1; Apr No.2; July No. 3; and Oct No. 4 . A separate Index has been prepared for the first 13 years, Vols. I - XIII. Following material will be incorporated into later year indexes. Compiled by Deane G Carter.

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